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TAFT AND HUGHES LEAD IN '08 RACE.

War Secretary Has Long Conference at the White House to Discuss Campaign for Presidency.

OHIO MAN IS FAR AHEAD.

Present Outlook Extremely Favorable to His Candidacy, but New York Governor Is Gaining.

BY RAYMOND.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Secretary Taft returned today from a flying visit to Ohio and had a long political conference at the White house tonight with President Roosevelt.

Neither of the conferees was inclined to make any definite statement as to the topics under consideration, but it was well understood, before and after the talk, that the whole political situation was to be canvassed, and particularly the situation in New York and Ohio.

Secretary Taft's visit to Ohio was a family matter entirely, but he had a long conference with his campaign managers before he left Sunday. Therefore, what he could supply in regard to Ohio, coupled with the president's information in regard to New York, furnished a pretty accurate summary of the present prospects of the secretary of war.

It is generally recognized now that there are two, and only two, leading candidates. They are Taft and Hughes. The secretary of war undoubtedly has a large lead. He will have a good many more delegates at the outset than the New York governor, but the latter in time is likely to have as many as all the rest of the candidates combined.

New York to Line Up for Hughes.

The resolution passed by the Republican club in New York last night will undoubtedly have the effect of lining up the party behind Hughes in the president's own state.

Taft may get a district here and there, but it may not be considered good politics for him to fight Hughes in his own state. There has been a tacit understanding that candidates would not interfere with "favorite son" states, but would make a campaign for second choice only.

That may finally be decided in New York state, in which case the Taft men will seek to secure the election of delegates, wherever possible, who will be favorable to the nomination of the secretary of war whenever it is manifest that Hughes cannot win.

There are a good many who believe it was a mistake on the part of the administration men to force the postponement of the Hughes resolution in the New York county committee. The result was to secure the adoption of a similar resolution by the New York Republican club, with only nine dissenting votes, the indorsement being practically by acclamation.

The resolution adopted by the Republican club was in such form that it definitely launches the candidacy of Gov. Hughes not only in the state but in the nation.

Indorsement Is "Official."

The governor has been a member of that particular organization for twenty years or so, and this fact makes his indorsement by the Republican club practically an official affair.

As the governor is not likely to repudiate it, the resolution leaves him in the field as an avowed candidate, and state pride in New York almost certainly will result in his getting the solid delegation of seventy-eight votes, or more than Indiana and Ohio put together.

There is good ground for the belief that President Roosevelt, who is as clever a politician as there is in the country, appreciates the fact that from now on the fight is between Taft and Hughes, with Cannon, Fairbanks, Knox, and La Follette a long distance in the rear.

If the thing could be arranged, the ideal ticket, from the administration's standpoint, undoubtedly would be Taft and Hughes. It would be a natural combination, because the secretary of war unquestionably has a much better grasp of national affairs than the New York governor, whose experience in public life dates back now less than two years and who has had absolutely no opportunity of studying national affairs at first hand.

Taft and Hughes Ideal Ticket.

According to the ordinary rule of politics in national conventions the ticket might be predicted now as Taft and Hughes, on the theory that the secretary would have a greater number of votes and that the governor would be placated by being given second place.

That such a ticket would be the strongest combination the republican party could possibly produce at the present time every one admits. Its success would be a foregone conclusion. It would appeal both to the radicals and conservatives, because both men are of a temperate type, not given to sensationalism, and a long ways removed from either extreme on modern economic questions.

It is true, of course, that Gov. Hughes personally, according to statements made by his intimate friends and advisers, could not afford to accept the vice presidency.

He has had a large practice in law, but has not put by much. He achieved an extraordinary reputation by his conduct of the insurance investigation, but before he could realize on that reputation in a professional way he was elected governor.

The burdens of that office are not as great as some of the social obligations of distinguished federal officials, but they are heavy enough to make it certain that the governor does not save money.

Will Not Accept Second Place.

Four years in Washington as vice president, with a $12,000 a year salary, would probably leave Gov. Hughes without much capital and with a distinct loss of professional prestige, owing to his enforced retirement from active practice for so many years.

These purely personal reasons are generally believed to be strong enough to prevent the combination of Taft and Hughes which practical politicians are so anxious to make.

It is stated with the greatest positiveness by the few men who are in the close confidence of the New York governor that he would accept with the deepest gratitude the nomination for the presidency, if he could get it with absolutely clean hands.

The same men say he would not accept the nomination for the vice presidency under

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SUMMARY OF The Daily Tribune

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1907.

THE WEATHER—

FORECAST—Cloudy Wednesday, with probably snow flurries. Thursday fair and colder, high southwest, shifting to northwest, winds.

Sunrise, 7:18.
Sunset, 4:24.
Moonrise, 10:01.
CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.
Temperature, max. 38, min. 31, mean 34, normal for the day 27. Excess since Jan. 1, 422.
Precipitation for 24 hours to 7 p. m., 0. Excess since Jan. 1, .95 inch.
Wind, W., max. 20 miles an hour, at 7:55 a. m.
Relative humidity, 7 a. m. 80%, 7 p. m. 69%.
Barometer, sea level, 7 a. m. 29.73, 7 p. m. 29.75.

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Little cheer for five families whose homes burned. Page 2.

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"Russian Lion" Hackenschmidt and Yankee matched to wrestle in England. Page 10.

"Hans" Wagner received another carload of patent medicine to cure his rheumatism. Page 10.

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

Arrived.	
ALAMEDA	San Francisco.
ATLANTIAN	Liverpool
CAMPANIA	Naples
CRETIC	Naples.
EUROPA	Naples
FLORIDA	New York
HAVERFORD	Liverpool
IONIAN	Liverpool.
KEEMUN	Yokahama
LOUISIANA	Genoa
MAIN	Baltimore
OCEANIC	Plymouth
RHEIN	Bremen
SIBERIAN	Glasgow
SICILIAN PRINCE	Naples
Sailed.	**Port.**
BULGARIA	New York
CANADIAN	Genoa
CARPATHIA	Triest
GRAMPIAN	Boston
MAJESTIC	New York
MINNEHAHA	London
MONGOLIAN	Liverpool.
PALERMO	Genoa
SANNIO	Naples
SAXONIA	Boston
SHINANO MARU	San Francisco.
SIBERIA	Seattle

BROWNSON QUITS BUREAU IN HUFF.

Clash with President on Plan Proposed by Dr. Rixey Results in Navy Man's Resignation.

ROOSEVELT WON'T TALK.

Admiral's Letter Received at the White House, but Contents Not Revealed; Winslow Is Promoted.

BY JOHN CALLAN O'LAUGHLIN.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Rear Admiral Willard H. Brownson severed today in a sensational manner the close official relations he has enjoyed for years with President Roosevelt. He presented his resignation as chief of the naval bureau of navigation, and the tender was accepted by the president without a moment's delay.

A great deal of mystery is made about the reasons which prompted Admiral Brownson to give up active duty and go on the retired list. The admiral will not make any explanation, merely referring inquirers to the White house, and President Roosevelt absolutely refuses to discuss the matter.

There is good ground for the statement that the resignation of Admiral Brownson followed a sharp controversy with Surgeon General Rixey, chief of the medical department, in regard to the assignment of medical officers to the command of hospital ships.

Admiral Brownson regarded this proposition as the height of absurdity, and frankly stated his opinion. The president upheld Dr. Rixey. The resignation of the admiral followed.

Rixey Wants Doctors to Run Ships.

The medical branch of the navy has for years endeavored to secure absolute command of the hospital ships. When these ships first were attached to the navy during the war with Spain they were placed under the command of line officers, who, of course, know all about navigation, and surgeons were detailed to duty aboard them.

As hospital ships have to accompany the fleet it was necessary, in the opinion of naval officers, that men trained in the duty of navigation should have charge of them. This has been the policy for ten years.

Several days ago Surgeon General Rixey made an official recommendation to the secretary of the navy that medical officers be given command of the hospital ships. He asked particularly that Dr. Charles H. Stokes be assigned to command the Relief, now on duty in the Pacific.

The recommendation was referred to Rear Admiral Brownson. The latter suggested the absurdity of the proposition, stating that the policy hitherto observed has worked satisfactorily and that to place surgeons over navigating officers was to overturn the whole idea of maritime procedure.

Clash Put Up to President.

Surgeon General Rixey declared the recommendation he made was justified by the success which has followed the practice of the army in having medical officers in charge of army hospital ships.

Admiral Brownson, on the other hand, pointed out that civilians navigate army hospital ships, and there is some justification for the policy to make a commissioned officer responsible for their conduct.

At this stage of the matter it was brought to the attention of the president. Dr. Rixey is the family physician at the White house. There is no reason to believe, however, that he enjoyed the president's confidence to a greater degree than did Rear Admiral Brownson.

The admiral has known the president personally for more than fifteen years, and has been a welcome visitor at his home. When Mr. Roosevelt was assistant secretary of the navy and the admiral was a commander the two men were frequently together and came to entertain a high respect for each other.

Admiral's Ability Patent.

His appointment as chief of the bureau of navigation was solicited by Senator Hale, chairman of the senate naval committee, without the knowledge of the admiral.

When the senator spoke to the president the latter stated that he had already selected Admiral Brownson for this responsible position in the navy department, because he considered him thoroughly fitted by his character and ability to fill the place well.

At the time of his selection Admiral Brownson was in command of the Asiatic fleet, and had discharged in the far east with the greatest of tact a number of delicate diplomatic questions which were intrusted to him.

Under Rear Admiral Brownson the battleship fleet was organized, and he was heartily behind the movement to have Rear Admiral Evans' command proceed to the Pacific ocean. He was opposed to granting permission to newspaper correspondents to accompany the fleet, and at first his opposition was successful, and later the matter was reconsidered, and the press is represented on the battleships.

A few days ago the admiral, while asserting that ton for ton and gun for gun the American navy was equal to the best in the world, was quoted as admitting that there were defects in the construction of battleships, a fact which is recognized by practically the entire service.

Criticism of Navy Not a Factor.

There is no reason for believing, however, that this criticism had anything whatever to do with the admiral's resignation.

Admiral Brownson reached the retirement age, 62 years, on July 8 last. Contrary to his wishes, President Roosevelt retained him as chief of the bureau. The admiral took the position that the continuance of a retired officer in the office of chief of the bureau was in violation of the law.

The president, however, submitted his nomination to the senate and the committee on naval affairs of that body has been discussing the propriety of confirming it.

The admiral accompanied his resignation with a letter of explanation which he is quite willing to have the president make public. No disposition was shown at the White house today to do anything of the kind. It was merely admitted there that the admiral's resignation had been received and accepted and that Commander Cameron McRae Winslow had been designated by the president to act as chief of the navigation bureau preliminary to his permanent appointment to that office.

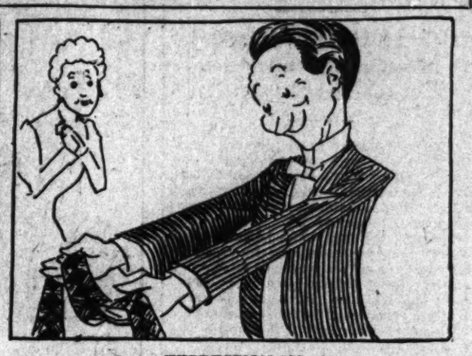
Admiral Brownson's resignation is regretted sincerely by every one who knows how zealously and honorably he has worked to make the navy an effective and efficient force.

CHRISTMAS EXPRESSIONS: HOW TO PERFECT YOURSELF IN USING THEM

Practice them before your mirror.

EXPRESSION NO. 1.

Practice this for use when your youngest shows you the present you have spent four hours in buying. You must wear an expression of admiring surprise and exclaim spontaneously: "Why, isn't that perfectly beautiful! My, wasn't Santy nice to you?"



EXPRESSION NO. 2.

To be used when you open a package containing your wife's card and a red and green plaid necktie. This expression will require great practice to perfect and much fortitude to wear. You must put on this expression and exclaim joyously: "Well, say, isn't that a beauty? That's just what I've been wanting. Who says women don't know how to buy a man's tie?"

EXPRESSION NO. 3.

To be worn when you present $5 bills to everybody who ever worked for you and simultaneously exclaim with great cheerfulness: "Merry Christmas." This expression requires much rehearsing. It is called the "Christmas face par excellence."

EXPRESSION NO. 4.

To be worn when you have eaten four times your capacity and are too considerate to refuse the cake your cook has baked with much pride and labor. It takes Spartan courage to rise to the occasion, but by practicing you may acquire the correct expression and the necessary amount of spontaneity when you exclaim gleefully: "You bet I want some o' that cake. It's a wonder. Just carve me a nice large slice."

EXPRESSION NO. 5.

To be used in calling down the Lugubrious Blues who say that they'll "be glad when Christmas is over," or that they're "getting too old to enjoy Christmas," or that "Christmas isn't like it used to be," or that "you've got to have children around to really enjoy Christmas," or that they "don't enjoy Christmas themselves, but they like to see the children have a good time."

EXPRESSION NO. 6.

To be worn when somebody tells you all about the lovely things they've received for Christmas and asks you how "Santy has treated you." You must be prepared to beam with happiness and say, "O, beautifully," even if Santy gave you only a Christmas card and a pair of pink suspenders.

DEAN TAKES HOPE TO LEVEE

Dr. Walter Sumner Makes Trip to Say "Merry Christmas."

PENITENT PEOPLE IN TEARS.

Pathetic Scenes Witnessed on West Side When Priest Appears.

Dean Walter T. Sumner of the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Washington boulevard and Peoria street, cut the Gordian knot of the west side "vice problem" yesterday afternoon in one of the shortest sermons ever preached.

The scene was Levinsky's saloon, Green and Lake streets. In the room adjoining the bar were gathered the dregs of the Peoria street "jungle." Thieves, ex-convicts, and negroes formed a good proportion of the crowd. It is a place of many battles with the police and may be taken as the heart of the great west side "dopeland."

There was a scattering as the minister entered the side door and stood in the midst of the throng. Detectives Dempsey and McMahon of the Desplaines street police station stood beside him, which may account for the quick disappearances into cellar and street. The bartender heard the shuffle and ran to the spot, wiping his hands to be in readiness for a fight.

"I've just come in to wish these girls a merry Christmas," said Dean Sumner, smilingly, reaching out to shake hands with the bartender.

"Wish you the same, sir," said the bartender.

Dean's Message to Crowd.

The mob stared. The contrast between the surroundings and this cleancut young clergyman with the kind eyes was strong.

"I have not come to preach to you," said the dean. "I just want to tell you that we are your friends, and if any of you need help come to us. The church is ready to help you. We are sorry you are here and presume you are, too, especially tonight. But here you are, and so when you are ready to come to us for help of any kind do not hesitate. I have brought each of you a Christmas card, which I want you to hang up and keep."

With this Detective McMahon opened a suit case and brought forth a handful of Christmas cards and passed them around. On each was the address of the church and the invitation to come when in trouble.

From here the little party went to other such places in the district, visiting in all more than 200 women. For each there was the same invitation. A woman followed the dean from one place and pressed a $5 bill into his hands.

"Use it for the poor," she said.

"If we can only save one it will be worth while," said the dean after his labors were over. "That is our creed."

Asks Dean to Aid Friend.

In Bessie Shea's resort at 52 Peoria street the dean was confronted with a problem. After he had preached his little sermon to the assembled women one girl said:

"I know a man who has been out of work all winter. He has a sick wife and babies. I have been helping them all I could for a month. Could you get this man a job?"

"I can try," said Dean Sumner. "I will see what I can do for him the day after Christmas."

In one house a young girl had just been brought in. When she saw the Christmas card and heard the kind speech of the priest she burst into tears. The dean talked to her and assured her he would help her out of her difficulties.

MOURNING INSTEAD OF FEAST: FALL ON ICE KILLS WIFE.

Old Soldier Left Alone in World After Paying for Home and Planning Thanksgiving on Christmas.

After planning a day of feast and Thanksgiving—the last payment on their home having been made two days ago—Mrs. William Curtis, 6148 Elizabeth street, died last night after a fall on the pavement. With her husband she had been making some purchases for today's dinner. The ice on the walk in front of 6229 May street caused her to lose her balance. Her skull was fractured.

Physicians were called, but the patient died without regaining consciousness.

Curtis was overcome by grief. He said he had saved part of his pension money for years, and the last payment had been made on the home in which both expected to spend the remainder of their lives. Mrs. Curtis had prepared a Christmas feast in celebration. Their only son died several years ago.

WOMAN SAVES BURNING SANTA.

Teacher in Belleville, Ill., School and Pupil Badly Injured When Makeup Catches Fire.

Belleville, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Miss Johanna Guentz, a teacher, tonight tore the burning Santa Claus makeup from Andrew Uhl, one of her pupils, and prevented a panic among her class. Miss Guents and the boy both were painfully burned.

FOUR BABIES IN PAPA'S SOCK.

Roanoke, Va., Woman Presents Husband with Two Boys and Two Girls on Christmas Eve.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 24.—The Christmas present of Mrs. William Luck of Roanoke to her husband today was two boys and two girls. All doing well.

CROWD SEES $5,000 ROBBERY

Detective Grabs Victim's Employe as Thieves Escape.

STORE WINDOW IS SMASHED.

Two Trays of Jewelry Stolen from Ashland Avenue Shop.

While the jewelry store of David Holtz, 4740 Ashland avenue, was crowded with customers last night, and many people were passing in the street, two robbers smashed a show window and escaped with two trays of diamonds and jewelry valued at $5,000. There was an instant chase after the thieves by Holtz and his watchmaker, John Reichman. When Reichman, running, fired at the fleeing men, Detective Hart, from the Paulina street station, caught Reichman and arrested him. The thieves in the meantime escaped.

It was 10:10 o'clock when the crash of the breaking glass startled Holtz and his customers.

"Robbers! Thieves!" shouted Reichman, who was near the front of the store.

He and Holtz ran to the sidewalk as the two thieves dashed to the opposite side of the street. The noise had attracted the attention of many Christmas shoppers, who joined in the pursuit.

Fires Shot After Robbers.

The robbers ran south to Forty-eighth street, and there turned west. Reichman was in the lead of the pursuers. At the corner he raised a revolver he carried in his hand and fired at the fugitive.

"Hold on there!" shouted a voice, and Reichman was Detective Hart's prisoner.

"They will get away," pleaded Reichman. "There they go. Get them."

In the short time that was necessary to make Hart understand the situation the thieves disappeared.

Forty-three Pieces of Jewelry.

According to Holtz there were forty-three pieces of jewelry in the two trays, all set with diamonds. In one of the trays was gathered the most valuable stones. Among them was a ring with a two carat diamond, valued at $400, the property of Mrs. Holtz, with a diamond brooch, valued at $400, also owned by Mrs. Holtz. They had been placed in the window for show purposes.

In the collection were six diamond rings set with stones varying from a carat to a carat and a half, worth $1,100. All the rest were less valuable pieces.

Holtz's store is the largest jewelry establishment in the vicinity, occupying a double room. The store was entered by burglars a year ago, but they were frightened away by the watchman, who shot at them.

BUSSE'S PLEDGES HAVE BEEN KEPT.

Review of First Eight Months of New Administration Shows Real Reforms Instituted.

TAXPAYERS SAVE MONEY.

Courteous Treatment by the City Hall Employes Has Astonished Many Not Accustomed to It.

As a holiday offering to the citizens of Chicago Mayor Busse presents the results of the first eight months of his administration. Though the mayor modestly disclaims having accomplished any wonders as yet, the offering is one of substantial progress.

Measuring the results in the aggregate, Mayor Busse appears to have accomplished more in two-thirds of a year than many a previous mayor in the entire two years of his administration.

Among the mayor's more conspicuous achievements are these:

Reorganization of all municipal departments on a business basis.

Creation of a sane school board.

Reorganization of the smoke suppression bureau on up to date lines.

Enactment of the law authorizing the levying of a wheel tax for the care of the streets.

Measures productive of $730,000 additional revenue a year.

Measures productive of a saving of $50,000 a year in administration.

Inauguration of active work on the creation of a boulevard linking the north and south side park systems.

Mayor's Appointees Making Good.

With one or two exceptions the mayor's appointees are making good on the instructions of their chief to put their departments on the same strict business basis of efficiency and economy that characterizes all successful private corporations. Tremendous progress has been made in wiping out old political sinecures and the cumbersome and chaotic methods that grew up under previous slipshod administrations.

Not the least of the many improvements in the conduct of the city's business is one that is appreciated by the average citizen only after a visit to the city hall. For the first time, within the memory of the present generation at least, the citizen finds his business with the municipal departments transacted with the dispatch, attention, and courtesy it would receive from a private company. He finds that the municipal departments are made to serve the people, and that it no longer is necessary to get his aldermen to accompany him in order to insure attention to his complaint.

"A citizen can go to the city hall nowadays and get prompt and courteous attention without first satisfying the city official that he is a voter and in good standing with the regular organization in his precinct," is the way a caller at the mayor's office the other day put it.

The mayor has issued orders that in every department and bureau similar painstaking attention, with a view to effecting reforms, be given to every matter presented by a citizen. The result is that innumerable careless methods of dealing with the public have been corrected.

Probably the most progressive of all the departments under the new administration is the board of civil service commissioners. Under the direction of Commissioners Lower, Carter, and McKinley the entire graded service has undergone a rejuvenation, the results of which are remarkable. Waste and extravagance in the employing of men have been eliminated, drones and inefficient employés have been given their walking papers, and a system of examinations has been inaugurated under which rapid promotion will be the reward of merit, while every employé will be compelled to maintain a high standing or lose all chance of promotion.

Pay Rolls Cut Down.

When the commission took office a little more than six months ago it found the various departments employing a total of 2,820 persons under temporary authority, while eligible lists for the positions were ignored. This condition came about through the political exigencies of previous administrations. When a department head wished to reward faithful precinct workers who could not have passed a civil service examination he declared that an emergency existed and received temporary authority to employ the number of men he desired. Then he kept them on the pay roll indefinitely. During Mayor Dunne's campaign for reelection the number of emergency employés ran pretty high, though it was denied at the time that there were more than 2,700.

The number of emergency employés has been reduced by the new merit board to thirty-six, eleven of whom are assigned to the Isolation hospital. Of the total number of "temporary" employés left on the pay roll by the Dunne administration 1,550 were street laborers and 494 employés of the health department.

Radical steps also have been taken to regrade the service. It was discovered that the council, acting on political motives, had arbitrarily raised hundreds of employés out of their proper grading. In all cases they were employés with political pulls. As a result employés doing the same work in different departments are drawing unequal salaries. The commission unanimously voted to refuse to approve any salary increases made by the council in the future, and this step, together with a reapportionment of salaries that is to be undertaken, will reintroduce order into the classified service.

Reorganization of Legal Department.

Because of the abolition of the long drawn out formal trials in vogue under previous boards, the commission, in the six months of its life, has been able to hear 202 cases, while 196 examinations have been conducted. Another reform is the handling of all litigation within the department. Attorney Howard O. Sprogle is in charge of all legal proceedings growing out of civil service cases, and all questions of principle will be carried to the Supreme court.

Reforms of great moment have been effected in the controller's department under the administration of Walter Wilson. The system of accounting has been greatly simplified and new methods introduced.

The city has paid its bills so promptly that in the eight months of his administration Mr. Wilson has saved more than $11,000 in discounts. A great saving in interest has also been made by a new method of handling special assessment paper. Whenever funds are available in the city treasury for the purpose the holders of special assessment

paper are notified by publication that the obligations will be paid on demand. This stops the interest, which hitherto has been allowed to pile up while the money lay idle in the treasury.

Saving in Printing Bills.

One instance illustrative of the economical measures being adopted is afforded by the printing establishment at the house of correction. At the suggestion of Mr. Wilson this plant has been developed to a point where it is possible to supply the city departments with a large amount of printed forms and other matter required in the transaction of business. All of the printing of forms for the Municipal court is now done at the bridewell. The departments pay current prices for the printing and the revenue goes into the city's general fund. The profits on the printing plant for the last seven months is $4,320.36, as compared with $315.82, the profit during the entire year of 1906.

Notable progress has been achieved by Commissioner Joseph Downey in the building department. Although he is on the eve of retiring from the position, much to the regret of the mayor, the commissioner has succeeded in rescuing the department from an extremely chaotic condition. He has introduced methods which have made the routine more convenient for builders and at the same time increased the amount of inspection accomplished.

Building Department Active.

One of the special tasks undertaken had been the inspection of 2,000 buildings in the downtown district, in almost every one of which the owners were required to make alterations in the interest of greater safety to life and limb. Seven buildings were condemned and ordered demolished, and sixty-nine additional stairways and fire escapes required. The total number of inspections was 111,331, compared with 73,206 in 1906.

About three-quarters of the time required to take out a building permit now is saved, because it is possible to pay the water tax to a city collector's cashier stationed in the building department.

A large amount of litigation which will result in great pecuniary benefit to the city has been instituted by Corporation Counsel Brundage. Suits have been begun against street railroads and other property owners who are to blame for the faulty condition of pavements and sidewalks on which persons have been injured and have recovered damages from the city. It is expected that in most of these cases the judgments will be recovered.

Assistants have also been assigned to collect on old city warrants and water rates, a large amount of money being owed to the city in these forms.

All Paving Carefully Inspected.

Under the new board of local improvements, the president of which is Col. Henry S. Dietrich, a number of fundamental reforms have been effected. A testing plant for asphalt pavement has been established under the direction of Edward Rosswater. Hitherto asphalt pavement has been laid in Chicago without expert inspection and the result was that in many instances an inferior article was palmed off on the public. Now every yard of asphalt is tested in the raw condition and after it is laid, and the city for the first time in its history is getting it's money's worth in paving.

The board has direct supervision over the work of creating the boulevard link which Mayor Busse has undertaken to carry out. After the park boards had toyed with the project with no tangible results the mayor stepped in and in a single afternoon reached a solution of the question. The boulevard will be established through the widening of Michigan avenue north of Randolph street and the construction of a bridge at Pine street. The mayor put the projected aerial boulevard on stilts out of court at once and determined to build a dignified, commodious thoroughfare which will be on the level in all senses of that term.

Wheel Tax Will Raise $500,000.

Closely associated with the care of the streets is the wheel tax, the law authorizing which the mayor induced the legislature to pass early in the fall. The revenue to be raised in this way will exceed $500,000 and will enable the city to keep hundreds of additional miles of pavement in repair. This scheme was one of the mayor's first suggestions and he carried it out in spite of the failure of the charter. His argument is that the vehicles that wear out the streets should pay for their upkeep.

Under Commissioner W. A. Evans the health department has been made more efficient in many particulars. Scores of incompetents have been detached from the pay roll and replaced by experts. The food inspectors now are qualified physicians and analysts, while the meat inspectors are men of veterinarian training. The amount of sanitary inspection has been increased and system introduced into the inspection of the packing houses at the stockyards and the markets outside. The inspection of schools is also in the hands of a trained corps of assistants.

The department of public works under Commissioner John Hanberg has been less conspicuous in effecting reforms and has been engaged principally in carrying out the public improvements authorized under the Dunne administration. When asked to name the principal achievements of his administration the commissioner said he had "built a few bridges and collected $200,000 in compensation for the use of public space."

ADMIRAL ROSS TO BE RETIRED.

Transfer on Navy List at Close of Year, However, Will Not Take Him from Lake Bluff Station.

Commandant Albert Ross of the Lake Bluff Naval Training station, who recently was promoted to the rank of rear admiral, will be transferred to the retired list of the navy at the close of the year. He will be 62 years old on Jan. 3, and has been in the service, except for a period of retirement from 1871 to 1874, since his graduation from the naval academy in 1867.

He was appointed head of the Lake Bluff school in 1904, and is regarded as a valuable man in his position. He probably will remain as commandant of the institution during the next four years, the time thought necessary to establish it solidly.

As a result of his retirement Capt. William Swift, recently assigned to the command of the navy yard at Boston, will be promoted to the grade of rear admiral, and Commander John R. Edwards, engineer officer at the Portsmouth, N. H., yard, will be advanced to the rank of captain.

SAYS CITY CAN VACATE ALLEYS.

Court Rules Against William Wieboldt's Neighbors—Discharged Policeman Wins Back Pay.

The right of the city council to vacate alleys and streets where compensation is paid and the beneficiary puts in improvements on the strength of the city ordinance has been upheld by the Appellate court. The court yesterday sustained such a vacation made for the benefit of William A. Wieboldt, owner of a store at 937 Milwaukee avenue. Wieboldt's neighbors claimed the vacation was illegal.

The city will have to pay Policeman John J. Fitzmaurice $2,680 for salary from November, 1905, to June, 1906. Fitzmaurice and Policeman Walter Bullis were accused of having extorted money from women in the levee district and discharged by the civil service commission. The Superior court decided the commission acted wrongly, and the Appellate court sustained Fitzmaurice's claim.

CINDERS FOR BRIDGE INCLINES.

Rush Street Approaches Protected for Horses by Officers of the Anti-Cruelty Society.

Horses no longer have to strain with heavy loads up the inclines at the approaches to the Rush street bridge. Boxes filled with cinders have been placed conveniently at ends of the structure by the Anti-Cruelty society. Whenever needed the cinders are spread over the street surface. Although conditions there have been brought frequently to the attention of the city authorities they constantly delayed action until last week, when Supt. Hugo Krause of the society secured two empty piano boxes, painted red, and took them over to the bridge, where they were filled with cinders.

"OLD BILL" LOSES CITY SCHOOL JOB.

Haskell to Be Separated from Board of Education Pay Roll Tomorrow.

FRIENDS PLEAD IN VAIN.

Trial Committee Unanimous for Discharge of Construction Superintendent.

"Old Bill" Haskell will be "separated from the service of the board of education" tomorrow. All the influence brought to bear by Carter Harrison's old fishing partner and all the testimony introduced at his trial have not availed to save his job.

Officially, the trial, which adjourned at 2 o'clock yesterday morning after an eleven hour session has been continued to tomorrow afternoon, and the case taken under advisement until that time. It is known, however, that the members of the trial committee are unanimous in their decision to uphold School Architect Perkins in his charges of inefficiency and incompetency, and to discharge the superintendent of construction.

Mr. Haskell and his attorney, W. E. Bryan, have told their friends that the case will be taken before the civil service commission, and "if necessary," an application will be made in the courts for a writ to prevent the school board from discharging the employé. This means that the buildings and grounds committee will have on its hands the most stubbornly contested case in years.

Vain Pleas Made by Friends.

If Mr. Haskell is persistent, the lines are drawn for a contest of more than ordinary proportions. During the weeks following the superintendent's suspension—on Nov. 26—a score or more of his friends found it convenient to "see" President Schneider and other members of the school board on Haskell's behalf. Among these were Graham H. Harris, a former president of the board of education; Oscar F. Mayer, and John G. Neumeister. Attorney A. S. Trude assured Mr. Haskell and his attorney that he would appear personally at any hearing where his presence might be desired.

To every one who referred the case to him President Schneider replied emphatically that "it was not a matter of personality," and that the case would be tried on its merits.

The more prominent of Mr. Haskell's witnesses were not present at the hearing because of the lateness of the hour when the testimony of the defense was called for. Attorney Bryan, however, gave Chairman Urion the substance of their testimony, and, to avoid further hearings, this was admitted. Then, after lengthy statements by Architect Perkins and the accused man himself, the hearing was adjourned and "Bill" was told that, at least, he had the satisfaction of having kept the trial committee at the longest session in the memory of the oldest school board employé.

Inferior Work Is Accepted.

After the hearing Chairman Garts of the buildings and grounds committee took the rest of the trustees, with the exception of Mr. Urion, home in his automobile. In the informal talk which accompanied the ride it became evident what the decision of the committee would be.

"It is what I expected," said Attorney Bryan. "The old man simply did the best he could with a lost cause."

In substance, Haskell was charged with allowing contractors to thin their varnish and omit white lead from their paint, with refusing to instruct clerks in their duties, and in other ways with consenting to accept work not done according to the specifications of the architect's department. The committee which tried him is composed of Trustees Urion, Trumbull, and Griefenhagen, with President Schneider and Chairman Garts of the buildings and grounds committee as "ex-officio" visitors.

Pension Fund Is Popular.

The secretary's office at the board rooms has been, in the words of Secretary Larson, "literally swamped" during the last two weeks by teachers who wish to become subscribers to the pension fund under the new law.

All who were not subscribers under the old law, or who dropped out, must make up the arrears for the entire period of their service and make the payments by Dec. 31 to be eligible. For this reason the teachers have been making the utmost efforts to secure the necessary funds before the end of the year, many of them securing special accommodation at the banks for the purpose.

About 600 of the schoolma'ams have made their payments within the last week, and a total of about $15,000 has been paid in, the payments ranging from $18 to $100 or more. More than 4,500 of the teachers—all but 1,500 of the teaching force—are now contributors to the fund.

OLD MELODY BRINGS COINS.

Patriarchal Musician Who Plays "Home, Sweet Home," Receives Aid from Pedestrians.

The awakening of cherished sentiment by the playing of "Home, Sweet Home" made possible within a few moments last night a merry Christmas for a patriarchal musician who for several hours had been seated on the corner of Chicago avenue and North Clark street playing on a wheezy clarinet without much financial profit.

As the strains of the old melody were heard many passersby paused, and for five minutes or more a steady stream of coins poured into the rusty tin cup.

When he had finished the piece the old musician hobbled across the street to board a car for his home. His name is Lafayette Feccenda, and he lives at 305 Taylor street. He is nearly 80 years old.

TWO STREET CARS HIT OLD MAN

Recipient of Salvation Army Dinner Is Struck as He Crosses State—Wire Worker Electrocuted.

James Troern, 721 Throop street, was seriously injured yesterday when he was struck by State street cars at Hubbard place.

He is 73 years old, and had but a short time before received a basket containing food from the Salvation army.

Troern in crossing the street was struck first by a north bound car, and then by a south bound car. He was taken to the Chicago Emergency hospital.

John Erickson, an electrician employed by the Arthur Frantzen company, electrical supplies, was electrocuted during the day while repairing wires in the power house of the sanitary district, Western avenue and West Thirty-first street.

GIRL ACCUSES A MALE FLIRT.

Richard Pick, Advertising Man, Arrested on Complaint of Sixteen Year Old Olla Sullivan.

Richard A. Pick, an advertising agent, was fined $35 yesterday by Municipal Judge Newcomer on the complaint of Olla R. Sullivan, 16 years old, 4335 State street.

According to the girl's story, she met Pick on the street. After the first meeting they had many automobile rides and dinners together. The girl's mother became worried because of her daughter's absence from her home, and notified the police.

Mrs. Clara Belle Hastings, the 16 year old mother who was rescued from a disorderly resort, was sent to the Chicago Home for Friendless Women yesterday by Municipal Judge Newcomer.

Jury Goes Home for Christmas Dinner

The jury in the case of William S. Tilden and Chauncey L. Graham, charged with obtaining money from the defunct Milwaukee Avenue State bank by means of fraudulent notes, will eat Christmas meals at home. They were permitted to go to their homes yesterday by Judge Chetlain.

PAPA'S CHRISTMAS: AND THAT A RHINESTONE.

WALSH JURY KEPT IN TOWN.

Judge Refuses to Let Them Spend Christmas at Their Homes.

DISPUTE ON BANK SUMMARY.

Government Expects to Get In Its Final Evidence Tomorrow.

A dispute over the form of the summary showing the holdings of the Chicago National bank at the time of its failure came up yesterday morning in the last moments of the government's case against John R. Walsh. As a result there will still be some tag ends for the government to clear up when court reconvenes tomorrow morning. After that the defense will have a clear field for any move it may determine upon.

The summary is the work of United States Bank Examiner E. P. Morey and his aids for two years. It gives the entire financial history of the Walsh bank. Judge Anderson ruled it out of the evidence last week, and the dispute came over the form of the list agreed upon by counsel for the defense for the convenience of the jury.

Assistant United States District Attorney Fletcher Dobyns protested that the list did not show the amount of holdings in the bank at any given time. Judge Anderson instructed the government lawyers to go over the list today and be ready to agree on something tomorrow morning.

Defense Plans Not Fully Fixed.

Attorney John S. Miller, chief counsel for the defense, said he and his associates, William J. Hynes, E. C. Ritsher, and S. R. Hamill, had not determined definitely to enter a motion to dismiss the case.

"We are still considering this," said Mr. Miller. "We may make such a motion and we may not."

"If the motion fails will Mr. Walsh be put on the stand in his own defense?" Mr. Miller was asked.

"I do not know," he replied. "That is possible, too."

"How long will the defense take to present its case if the motion to dismiss is entered and overruled?"

"Not taking into consideration cross examination and arguments on objections, I should judge we will not take more than a week."

Jurors Spend Christmas Here.

The Walsh jurors are sad. Judge Anderson has refused their request to spend the holidays at their homes in the country. It was suggested that a bailiff be assigned to each man, but this was overruled on the ground that it would not be kind to the bailiffs to force them to leave their own homes and spend Christmas with strangers.

The jurors have planned a big feast for today at the Majestic hotel. Some have arranged to attend church services and others will go to theaters. Judge Anderson will spend Christmas with his family in Indianapolis.

SON SO BAD FATHER RUNS AWAY

Mother, Mrs. William Ralph, Induces Judge Tuthill to Send Boy to John Worthy School.

William Ralph Jr., who has been before the Juvenile court five times, was committed to the John Worthy school yesterday by Judge Tuthill.

Some four months ago the boy's father, who was a custodian of the La Salle street railroad station, deserted his family and disappeared because of the boy's conduct.

Mrs. Josephine Ralph, 296 Elm street, the boy's mother, told Judge Tuthill that he used abusive language to her, and had even struck her. She said she was unable to live with him.

FINDS WIFE WITH MAN; 3 HELD.

John Bunger of Gary Locates Mrs. Bunger and Four Children at 955 West Madison Street.

After a three weeks' search John Bunger found his wife and four children with John Senti at 955 West Madison street.

During the trouble that followed Bunger was arrested for carrying a revolver. Mrs. Bunger and Senti were also arrested. The children may be sent to a public institution.

Samuel Smith was arrested yesterday charged with bigamy. He admitted having been married before, but said his first wife was dead.

Insane Patient Escapes at Dunning.

Search was made in Chicago yesterday for John Anderson, 35 years old, a patient who escaped from the asylum for the insane at Dunning. Anderson was returning to the main institution from the dining room when he suddenly dashed down a stairway.

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DOT MAY SPOIL TRUE BILL

Milk Company Finds Flaw in Indictment's Punctuation.

BORDENS' IS NOT BORDEN'S.

Prosecutor Says Error Does Not Relieve the Corporation.

The first flaw in the indictments against milk trust members—a tiny drop of ink which might be overlooked by the average individual—has been discovered and is the subject of investigation. The flaw is in the Borden indictment and, it has been suggested, the corporation may make it an issue in the trial.

The newly discovered flaw is an apostrophe and the question relates to its correct location in the corporate name of the Borden concern. The indictment against the corporation, which is charged with being the head of the milk trust, reads against "Bordens' Condensed Milk company." As a matter of fact that name should read "Borden's Condensed Milk company," the apostrophe belonging between the n and the s.

The matter was called to the attention of Assistant State's Attorney Barbour yesterday afternoon, and after considering the subject he asserted the offending mark would not operate to relieve the $25,000,000 corporation from responsibility in the milk trust charges. That it will be argued out in court, however, is more than probable.

"That flaw would be a nice Christmas present for us to give out at this time, but we can't see it," said Mr. Barbour. "The apostrophe will cut no figure."

Tells of Fight in Jury Room.

Along with the discovery of the flaw came details, from one of the members of the grand jury, of the fight that took place in the grand jury rooms before indictments finally were voted. The juror asserted none of the members of the body was willing to indict until after they had heard the voluntary testimony of the big dealers, who practically brought the indictments upon themselves.

The final vote upon the question of returning indictments was sixteen for indictments and five against. Two jurors refrained from voting.

Active preparations for the prosecutions in court, which will take place in February, have been begun by Assistant State's Attorney Barbour. He was visited during the day by Attorney Frederick W. Pringle, representing the Borden company. Mr. Pringle examined the indictment under which all the milk dealers are being held and took a copy of it. It was during this examination that the flaw mentioned was discovered. Thomas Yore of Yore Brothers, who did not give bonds on Monday, signed bonds for $3,000 in the afternoon.

Milk Dealers Hard Hit.

The day was a hard one for milk dealers who pleaded guilty to selling milk in short measure bottles. Judge Scovel showed little mercy for the dealers, concluding a busy day's work by dividing fines which amounted to $1,400 among five dealers.

"And that is not all," said the judge as he recorded the fines. "These bottles must be brought up to requirements of the law at once or fines will be doubled. The consumer is entitled to a full quart of milk, no matter what the price is, if he is told that it is a quart."

The fines assessed during the hearing were the heaviest yet levied upon delinquent milk dealers during the present crusade of the city for honest measures. The prosecutions are not yet over, however, and there are indications that a new high record may be established in the near future.

The firms fined are:

Yore Bros., 407 West Taylor street, $350.

William M. Devine, 49 North State street, $130.

Walker-Gordon Laboratory company, 2112 Michigan avenue, $200.

Dowd Pure Milk company, 4326 Wabash avenue, $300.

William McCain, 408 La Salle avenue, $400.

Following the lead of the Bowman Dairy company, the companies fined asked for a stay of execution that they might test in the Supreme court the validity of the ordinance under which they were fined. The stay was granted.

MRS. WINCHELL'S CAR HITS MAN

Chauffeur Unable to Stop Auto and Laborer Suffers Slight Injuries.

Frank Compunson, 31 Milton avenue, a laborer, suffered slight injuries yesterday when he was struck by an automobile belonging to Mrs. B. F. Winchell, 23 Lake Shore drive, at State and Washington streets. The machine was being driven south in State street by John Keper, 395 Superior street, Mrs. Winchell's chauffeur. The latter was unable to stop the machine in time to prevent striking Cumpunson.

Shun Winter Ailments.

Colds, Chill, Grip Fever, Headache, which lead to Pneumonia, are checked by the prompt use of Orangeine.

FIRE BITTER FOE OF SANTA CLAUS.

Christmas Joy of Five Families Is Thwarted by Burning of Their Homes.

BLIND MAN IS RESCUED.

Little Girl Pleads to Go Into a Burning Building to Save Her Dolly.

There will be little Christmas cheer today for five families whose homes were destroyed by fire last evening. In two of the families, however, there will be thankfulness that the aged and helpless head of each was rescued by strong hands from death in the flames.

The first fire destroyed the three story flat building at 3807 Indiana avenue early in the evening, entailing a loss of $20,000. The fire was caused by an overheated furnace. The flames ignited the woodwork in the basement, and shot up the air shaft to the roof before being discovered. Then the people in the building had to flee for their lives.

Blind Man Is Rescued.

Capt. P. S. Visser, a veteran of the Boer war, who lives in the adjoining building, got his family out and then rushed into the burning apartment house, found W. A. Weinstock, 65 years old and blind, wandering about on the second floor, and rescued him. At the same time Patrolman Michael McGrath of the Stanton avenue station carried out William Glaze, 70 years old and crippled, who lived on the first floor. The rescues were made only a minute before the stairway became enveloped in flames.

The building was tenanted by the Glaze family on the first floor; Alexander G. Klopot, wife, and three children on the second floor; Mr. Weinstock, wife, and three children on the third; and A. Eckersoll and wife, the basement. All the members of the Glaze and Weinstock families were able to make their own escape except the two old men.

Mourns for Lost Dolly.

The Klopot family had a Christmas tree illuminated when the fire came, and the presents had just been given to the children. The youngest child, Edith, 3 years old, was inconsolable, and begged a policeman to go into the building and save her dolly.

The people living in the four story flat building adjoining the burned structure on the north were driven out by smoke. Some of the families attempted to save household goods by throwing them out of the windows, and in front of the house was a pile of broken bedsteads, chairs, and other articles of household furniture.

House Consumed by Fire.

In the home of F. A. Middleton and family at 7716 Langley avenue the Christmas tree which was gayly bedecked in tinsel and presents last evening now is a piece of charred wood among the wreckage of the ruined house.

It was early in the evening that an overturned lamp suddenly transformed the room in which the tree stood from a fairyland to a ruin. F. A. Middleton, the head of the family, just had completed the work of trimming the tree, with the assistance of all the other members of the family, when the accident occurred.

The lamp had been placed upon a little table along with a pile of fluffy cloth and parcels containing presents, when somebody stumbled against it, and in a moment it had fallen upon the floor. The oil spattered on the floor and soon was in flames.

Then the members of the family fought to extinguish the fire. It was a hopeless task, however. The fire soon reached the branches of the fir tree, which burned as readily as the oil. By the time the fire engines had arrived all of the occupants of the neighborhood were assisting them in their efforts to save their home.

Little Girl Seriously Burned.

Mealone Elie, 3 years old, daughter of John Elie, a gypsy, was burned seriously when her clothing caught fire from coals which she drew out of a small heating stove in the tent occupied by the family at One Hundred and Twenty-first street and Michigan avenue. The little girl was left in the tent while her mother and father went to visit families in neighboring tents. She was burned about the head, face, and body.

JOY FOR THREE UNDERTAKERS.

Licenses Returned to Men Whom the Mayor Punished for Carelessness in Obeying Rules.

The undertaking licenses of Otto H. Bers, Dunning; George Scharf, 5006 Ashland avenue, and W. Walkowiak, 8749 Commercial avenue, have been restored to them. Mayor Busse had suspended them on the recommendation of Health Commissioner Evans, who said they had been careless in obeying the contagious disease rules of the department, but yesterday he reported they had promised to do better in the future.

MISSISSIPPI IS FOR TAFT.

National Committeeman Makes the Announcement After Conference with Leading Republicans in the State.

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—L. B. Mosely, republican national committeeman for Mississippi, has held conferences recently with leading republicans throughout the state. The sentiment clearly expressed is that Mississippi will instruct its delegates for Taft.

Save Their Names, but Not Money.

Freundschaft lodge No. 1 and Humboldt lodge No. 4 of Hertha Schwestern von Illinois are entitled to the use of their names, but property held by them when they seceded from the German Order of Harugari belongs to the latter organization, the branch Appellate court decided yesterday. The suit of the Freundschaft lodge was begun by Fredericka Beyer, who had in her possession $2,000, and was in doubt as to which order it should be paid.

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FEAR MADE HIS COAT A BANK

David Ehlert, Killed in Accident, Used Pocket as Safety Deposit.

RESULT OF YEARS' THRIFT.

Mrs. Ehlert and Her Husband Took Turns Handling Money Both Saved.

Fear of burglars caused David Ehlert, the Northwestern railroad section hand killed Monday afternoon by a switch engine, to make his coat his bank, with $3,023 on deposit in the lining. Mrs. Ehlert told the story of her husband's dread of thieves to a coroner's jury yesterday at Cragin. The jury brought in an open verdict.

A complication which considerably puzzled Mrs. Ehlert developed at the close of the inquest, when she requested Deputy Coroner Kennedy, through an interpreter, to return to her the money taken by the police and Undertaker Nellis from her husband's coat lining. The answer given to her was that the treasure had been turned over to Coroner Hoffman, and that it could not be returned to her until the Probate court gave the order. Mrs. Ehlert screamed when the purport of this announcement was made known to her, and was quieted only when spoken to in German through the telephone by Coroner Hoffman himself. He gave her the assurance that he would arrange with the Probate court judge to have her made administrator of her husband's estate, and that she could have the money tomorrow.

Both Worked for "Geld."

Mrs. Ehlert testified at the inquest that her husband was a native of Germany, that she married him soon after he came to this country twelve years ago, and that the family home was at 45 Higgins avenue, Jefferson Park, where they had lived for years. She declared that "all the geld" was not hers husband's, as she had helped to make it by doing washing and scrubbing.

"It had been agreed between us," Mrs. Ehlert said, "that he carry the wallet part of the time and I the rest of the time. He never would consent to leave it in the house when we were both away. He greatly feared the bad burglars would get it in our absence. Just before he left home for the last time I told him that it was my time to begin carrying the money, but he replied 'I will keep it for another some weeks, as I am better able to guard so big a wad.'"

Ehlert's funeral will be held today. He leaves two small children besides a widow.

Criticises the Police.

Henry Schneider, who lives in the same building with the Ehlerts, said:

"The police sent out the report that Ehlert had no relatives or friends in Chicago, though they gave his correct address as 45 Higgins avenue. If they had investigated the case before making their report they would have found Ehlert's wife and children at the same address."

ROBBERY CASE NOT DROPPED.

Morris Simons, Who Stole $1,004 from Lincoln J. Carter's Pocket, Will Be Tried Soon.

The fact that the case of Morris Simons, charged with stealing $1,004 from the pocket of Lincoln J. Carter, was stricken temporarily from the docket of Judge Windes' court on Monday because of the pressure of other cases, gave rise to a statement that he had "defeated justice."

Investigation yesterday proved that the case had been removed from the docket by Assistant State's Attorney Fleming when it was found that the trial could not take place immediately.

The case will be called again in a few days, as the procedure amounted practically to a continuance.

Court Stenographer Wins Out.

Mrs. A. L. Kelley, official stenographer of the Circuit court, won another victory by an opinion of the branch Appellate court filed yesterday in her suit for a writ of mandamus against the county commissioners. The writ was asked to enforce the payment of her salary for work done for the judges who succeeded the late Judge Murray F. Tuley, by whom she was appointed. The Superior court's order awarding the writ is affirmed.

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SALOON DEFENSE TO BE ARGUMENT.

Austrian May Introduce No Evidence and Will Depend on Plea for Dismissal.

STATE CLOSES IN TRIAL.

Brother of Tom Chamales Questioned as to Sunday Opening of the Savoy.

Attorney Alfred Austrian, chief counsel for Thomas Chamales, defendant in the first case brought by the Chicago Law and Order league against the Sunday saloon, will appeal to the jury in Judge Heap's court tomorrow to throw the case out of court. He has prepared an argument which, he says, must fail to convince the twelve jurors, who have the power to fine Chamales or acquit him, that the so-called "blue law" against the Sunday saloon does not apply to Chicago.

At the conclusion of the morning session yesterday the state rested its case. The defense sprung a surprise by refusing to offer any evidence. It was then decided to take an adjournment until Thursday morning, arguments will begin at that time, and the court announced the case would go to the jury before adjournment that day. The jurors thanked the judge for arranging matters so they could eat their Christmas dinner at their homes and spend the day with their families.

Speculation was aroused just before the adjournment by another mysterious conference that one of the jurors held with Judge Heap. Henry J. Dike, a clothing salesman, of Cottage Grove avenue, was the juror. He left the jury box and conversed with Judge Heap for nearly five minutes. The latter refused to disclose the purport of the conversation or whether the juror had made any complaint that would call for judicial action.

State Calls Chamales' Brother.

The state surprised the defense by calling to the witness stand William Chamales, brother of the defendant. He had been subpoenaed at the last moment. This was done as a counter move to the attempts of Attorney Austrian to discredit the testimony of the paid detectives of the Chicago Law and Order league. William Chamales is his brother's cashier at the Savoy saloon and restaurant, and the answers which he gave as an "unwilling witness" established that the state has been trying to prove—that intoxicating drink was sold at the Savoy on Sunday, Nov. 24.

John Learnard, one of the detectives who gave the evidence against Chamales, was subjected to another ordeal of cross examination by Attorney Austrian. He stoutly maintained he was not drunk in Chamales' saloon on Nov. 24.

Says He Played Detective.

Robert Parenteau, until seven weeks ago a Chicago saloonkeeper and said to be a brother-in-law of one of the attorneys for the Chicago Law and Order league, was the next witness. He testified that he played detective for the league in the early morning of Nov. 24, having accompanied Learnard to the Savoy about midnight. He told how Learnard tapped "Tom" Chamales on the shoulder and asked:

"Are you not afraid of being arrested for violation of the Sunday closing law?"

"What answer did Chamales make?" queried Assistant State's Attorney Northam.

"He said 'O, if they pinch me, it will be all right,'" the witness replied.

Under cross examination by Mr. Austrian Parenteau admitted he had been a saloonkeeper for many years and was a bartender before he was hired by the Chicago Law and Order league.

Frank A. Root, husband of the Milwaukee woman who owns the ground on which the Savoy stands, testified that Chamales pays a rental of $13,734 a year for the ground and that he bought the building for $35,000.

Attorney Austrian wanted to introduce the saloon license issued to Chamales by the city of Chicago, but Judge Heap ruled it out. A menu card and a photograph of the saloon were admitted, however, and marked as "exhibits."

After adjournment Attorney Austrian said: "In my address to the jury I will take my stand upon that menu card and that photograph—their admission opens for me the door of opportunity—and before I have finished my two or three hours' talk I will have read the books by the stack and will have convinced the jury that the old blue law of the state is obsolete and that the attempt to galvanize it into life at this time is the sequel of a political faction fight among leaders in the republican party organization."

Fears "Famine in Beer."

A famine in barley threatens to cause a widespread famine in beer, according to Adam Orteifen, former city treasurer and an official of the McAvoy Brewing company. He says that more than 1,000 saloons out of the 4,500 now in business in Chicago will be compelled to close their doors before May 1. The shortage in the barley crop is said to menace the breweries with serious problems. A rise in the price of beer is also forecast. But nobody ventures to say what effect, if any, the "barley famine" may have upon the fate of the Sunday saloon.

CLOSING LAW HELD INVALID.

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 24.—City Attorney Bowie today in an opinion declared the 9 o'clock closing law unconstitutional. He bases his contention upon the fact that while the title of the act embraces but one subject the body covers several. The opinion means that saloons in Mobile will ignore the law.

Saloon Men Voluntarily Close.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 24.—For the first time in the history of liquor business in Chattanooga all the saloons of the city will be closed tight on Christmas day, the saloon men some weeks ago having agreed to observe the day. This action has aroused much favorable comment.

SUCCESS FOR THE B. M. Z. BALL.

Over Five Thousand Tickets Sold for Jewish Old People's Home Benefit.

Preparations have been completed for the fifth annual B. M. Z. ball to be given Saturday night at the Coliseum for the benefit of the Jewish Old Peoples' home, Ogden and Albany avenues. Miss Perle J. Frank, who will take the rôle of Carmen at an amateur grand opera performance in the Auditorium, will give vocal selections. Over 5,000 tickets have been sold, including those for twenty-five boxes. The grand march will be a spectacular affair. The floor marshal will be Sidney Kahnweiler.

M'REYNOLDS FAILS TO GET OUT.

Judge Landis Will Decide on Writ of Habeas Corpus in His Court Tomorrow.

Judge Landis of the United States Circuit court will decide tomorrow whether or not George S. McReynolds shall be released on a writ of habeas corpus. Colin C. H. Fyffe appeared yesterday as attorney for McReynolds. The court did not care to hear the state's arguments. Mr. Fyffe argued that improper evidence had been introduced in the hearing of the case.

Alleged Perjurors Give Bonds.

Thomas J. Hoops and Frank J. Conover, who face perjury charges growing out of Hoops' suit for divorce from Jessie W. Hoops, appeared before Judge Windes yesterday and gave bonds of $1,000 each. "The whole proceeding is unfortunate," said their attorney, Charles E. Davies. "Aside from my investigation seems to be caused by a desire for revenge."

Club to Hear Dr. Gunsaulus.

Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus will address the Man's club of the People's Liberal church Monday evening on "American Education." The session will be a "good will meeting" to commemorate the end of the year. Women have been invited.

Rich and Poor Make Their Final Preparations for Celebrating Christmas Day.

A FEW WHO BELIEVE IN THE SALVATION ARMY'S MERRY CHRISTMAS

SANTA CLAUS SHOPPERS

ARRESTS MEN, THOUGH SHOT.

Undeterred by Wounded Hand, Policeman Takes Fugitives.

MATRON ROBBED IN CHURCH.

Shoppers Join in Pursuit of Thief Who Snatches Woman's Purse.

In a running revolver fight with two men he saw loitering in the vicinity of Milwaukee avenue and Noble street early last night Policeman Edward Sullivan of the Rawson street station was shot in the right hand, but he continued the pursuit and arrested both after a desperate struggle. They said they are Frank Czarnecki, 21 years old, 404 West Superior street, and Frank Pietrowski, 21 years old, 116 Cornelia street.

After the policeman had sent the men to the station he went to a physician's office and had his injured hand dressed. One finger may have to be amputated, the bullet having fractured the bone.

Sullivan was patrolling his beat, when he was told by several women that two men were loitering in a doorway and eyeing every person that passed. As Sullivan approached the two men ran into an alley. Sullivan commanded them to halt, and when they refused the policeman fired his revolver in the air. The fugitives returned the fire, one of the bullets striking the policeman's hand.

Matron Robbed in Cathedral.

Christmas will not be as merry for Miss Bridget Dolan, matron of Hudson avenue police station, as she had planned it to be. A thief who invaded Holy Name cathedral stole her hand satchel, which she had left on a seat behind her while she was at devotion. A gold crucifix, a gift of Pope Pius X. last year while Miss Dolan was on a pilgrimage to Rome, is the article most mourned by Miss Dolan. There was also a pocketbook with several dollars and several keys, among them one to a safety deposit vault, and many small trinkets.

Miss Dolan suspects a notorious woman thief who had been arrested numerous times for stealing from churches. She said she saw the woman enter the seat containing her satchel, but paid no further heed to her. When she arose the woman was gone and also the handbag.

Hurrying from the church, Miss Dolan saw the woman hand something to a man at Superior and State streets just as they boarded a street car.

Shoppers Pursue a Thief.

Scores of Christmas shoppers joined in a chase after a pickpocket who had grabbed a purse from Mrs. Eugenia Holmes in front of her home, 376 La Salle avenue. After fleeing for several blocks, the thief dropped the purse and eluded his pursuers.

POSTAL CLERK FINDS BOMB IN "MERRY CHRISTMAS" BOX.

Was with Other Mail and Was Set So That Deadly Explosion Would Follow Its Opening.

Erie, Pa., Dec. 24.—While distributing Christmas bundles in the South Erie postoffice this afternoon an employé found a package which contained an infernal machine. It was so constructed that the opening of the box would cause an explosion that undoubtedly would have killed all persons near it and set fire to everything in the vicinity.

The package was addressed to Archie Carr, 2208 Cherry street, and had been mailed in this city.

The following inscription was on the inside wrapper: "You may perhaps find the cover will catch a little when you open the box, but pay no attention to it. Merry Christmas."

Try to Blow Up New Bridge.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 24.—An attempt was made today to blow up the new steel bridge of the Pennsylvania railroad now in course of construction over the Erie tracks near the Hackensack river. A huge hole was torn in the center of the bridge by an explosion of dynamite.

BLACK HAND HAS KNIFE DRILL.

Pittsburg Police Raid Room Where Recruits Were Said to Learn How to Kill Scientifically.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The police this afternoon raided the home of Vincenzo Toyla and arrested twenty-four men, alleged members of the Black Hand, including Toyla. The police say that a knife drill for new members was conducted in Toyla's house every Sunday and on holidays, when recruits were taught the easiest way to kill a man.

A large number of stilettos, razors, revolvers, and incriminating documents were found in the house.

Joseph Sunseri, a wealthy Italian, was acquitted here today by the coroner's jury of the murder of Filipo Re, whom he shot and killed in the Pittsburg produce yards. Testimony showed that Re was a member of the Black Hand and several times had demanded money from Sunseri.

MAN DEAD WITH GAS TUBE NEAR

Oak Park Candy Store Proprietor Believed a Suicide—Another Shoots Himself.

Thomas Cronin, owner of a candy store at Pleasant street and Harlem avenue, Oak Park, was found dead in his store last night and is believed to have committed suicide. A rubber hose fastened to an open gas jet apparently had served to conduct gas to his mouth.

Frank W. Wiesznezski, 24 Fleetwood street, is believed by the police to have committed suicide by shooting himself in the right temple early in the morning. His body was found in the passageway between the buildings at 24 and 26 Fleetwood street.

He lost his position several weeks ago.

COUNTERFEIT MOLDS FOUND; MAKER OF THEM ARRESTED.

Police Believe Charles McMahon Is a Member of Gang of Circulators of Spurious Coin.

Four brass molds and two dies thought to have been made for counterfeiting $20 gold pieces were found in a basement room at 202 Paulina street yesterday, soon after the occupant of the room, Charles McMahon, had been arrested.

McMahon, who is 44 years old, was questioned at the Central station by Detective Sergeants Werthiemer and Baldwin and by two secret service operatives. He said he made the molds and dies for a "friend," whose identity he would not reveal. He told conflicting stories.

He admitted that he stole a fur overcoat from a Milwaukee saloonkeeper and sold where he sold it in Chicago. As a result of this admission the police recovered the coat from a bartender in a west side saloon. The bartender was arrested and will be held pending an investigation.

McMahon told the police he was born in Decatur, Ill., and that he was a blacksmith, but had not worked much at his trade during the last fifteen years. The police suspect he is a member of a gang of counterfeiters.

DIVORCE SUITS THE SEQUEL OF TWO YULETIDE WEDDINGS.

Mrs. Walter S. Bell Tires of Husband's Conduct, and William Becker Declares His Wife Cruel.

Suits for divorce are the sequel of two Christmas weddings which were celebrated two years ago. Lillian Bell, who became Walter S. Bell's wife on Dec. 25, 1905, charges that her husband has been drunk often and has signified his preference for other women in unmistakable ways. She says he tried to throw her through an open window on Nov. 21 and at different times has threatened to kill her.

William F. Becker, who was married on Christmas eve, 1905, asks a divorce from Bertha Becker on grounds of cruelty.

Lillian Grant Ferguson, 17 years old, is seeking a divorce from William Ferguson, from whom she separated a week ago. They were married Feb. 7, 1906, at Canton, Ia. She accuses her husband of cruelty.

STEAL CAR RATHER THAN WALK.

Impudent North Evanston Thieves Turn On Full Speed and Leave Crew in Lurch.

The theft of one Union Traction street car is the latest feat of Evanston robbers.

At 10:40 o'clock last night four young men who did not care to walk two miles in the slush commandeered the car, which just had reached the end of the line on Central street.

The conductor and motorman were standing close by, but the "car bandits" turned on full speed and disappeared over the Glen View Golf club line. The car was found later two miles west, near several blind pigs.

Thomas A. Turner, 2318 Orrington avenue, was arrested later near the spot where the car was found.

He is a motorman on the Northwestern "L" road.

GIFT COIN GETS BEER FOR BOY.

Police Arrest Intoxicated Lad Who Purchased Liquor with His Christmas Money.

A desire to be a "big man" resulted in the arrest last night of Thomas Geary, 12 years old, 56 Huron street, when he was found intoxicated at Chicago avenue and Townsend street. The boy had been given the money to spend for Christmas presents, but instead he purchased liquor.

Says Directors Are Dummies.

Louis Berry, owner of three shares of the capital stock of the American Creditors' agency, 134 Monroe street, filed a bill in the Circuit court yesterday asking that a receiver be appointed for that concern. He avers no dividends have been paid since its incorporation Aug. 11, 1903. President and General Manager Leon A. Berezniak has, the complainant asserts, elected "dummy" directors, who have voted him a salary of $75 a week.

ENTOMBED NEARLY A MONTH, MINER SENDS NOTE OF HOPE.

Buried Under Five Hundred Feet of Rock, He Writes Friend of Rescue Expected Soon.

Victor, Colo., Dec. 24. — [Special.]—Entombed 1,000 feet below the earth's surface since Dec. 4, A. D. Bailey, a miner of Ely, Nev., has written to a friend here telling of his perilous position, but expressing his hope of being rescued within the next two weeks.

In his letter, sent up a water tube, mailed, and received today by Thomas Hamill, Bailey says, in part:

"I am now imprisoned in Alpha shaft. On the 4th of this month the shaft caved in. Two of the four men who were working in the pump station are with me and others are buried at the bottom of the shaft. The shaft caved in at the 400 foot level and we are at the 1,000 foot level. The shaft is full of dirt up to the cavein, and we are under 500 feet of solid rock. If all goes well I hope to be on top in twelve or fourteen days.

"After the accident we disconnected the six inch water column at the pump and they are sending our drinking water and rations down it. We are living on the best in the land, as everybody wants to send us something. Wine, cigars, and all kinds of fruits are being sent down. They send down our supplies in small vessels attached to a rope and arranged so as to prevent spills.

"After we got the water column opened we connected our phone to the electric cable, and we can telephone up and talk to the men on top at any time.

"Well, brothers, if all is well and the all wise Providence stays with us I hope to be on the top and see my wife and family in a short time. We are above the water level, so there is no danger on that score."

NEW STATE LYNCHES A NEGRO AS ITS FIRST CHRISTMAS TRICK

Colored Man Who Killed a White Hanged to a Telegraph Pole and Then Riddled with Bullets.

Muskogee, Okla., Dec. 24.—Riddled with bullets, the body of James Garden, a negro, is dangling from a telegraph pole tonight in the center of Henrietta, Okla., a coal mining town thirty miles southwest of here.

Garden shot and killed Albert Bates, a white man, because Bates refused to rent him a rig.

Garden was lodged in jail and tonight a mob of 100 men battered down the doors of the jail and secured Garden. The lynching which followed was the first in the new state.

CARS BLOWN FROM THE TRACK.

Sixty Mile Gale Picks Up Two Coaches of Colorado Train and Tosses Them Into Ditch.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 24.—The baggage car and first passenger coach of a north bound Colorado and Southern train were blown from the track and overturned in the ditch at noon today. The accident occurred ten miles south of Boulder. Six persons were seriously injured. A sixty mile gale has been blowing over northern Colorado today.

Collision on the Grand Trunk.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 24.—Chicago express No. 7 on the Grand Trunk railway, which left here early today, collided with a yard engine. Five passengers were injured, among whom were H. D. Belcher, Wood street, Chicago, and Mrs. M. A. Campbell, Princeton avenue, Chicago. All were able to continue their journey.

REFUSE CHARITY AT CHRISTMAS

Cotton Mill Workers Post Notices That They Neither Need Nor Desire Aid of Prosperous.

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 24.—The people of the cotton mill district of Union Springs have refused to accept Christmas charity. A number of baskets were posted in which the people were to drop presents for the "poor people of the cotton mill district." Later notices were posted that "the poor people of the cotton mill district" neither needed nor desired such aid.

PETTIBONE DEFENSE ASKS INSTRUCTIONS TO ACQUIT.

Point Gained When Judge Wood Decides Orchard's Testimony Was Not Corroborated Sufficiently.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 24.—Before hearing argument on the motion for an instructed verdict of acquittal, filed by the defendant in the Pettibone trial today, Judge Wood stated there had not been sufficient corroboration of Orchard's testimony on the killing of Gov. Steunenberg to warrant a conviction.

He also said corroboration was necessary to establish a conspiracy, and invited argument as to whether or not such corroboration had been given by the state, and whether or not the defendant had been connected with that conspiracy.

The conclusions of the court mean that either the jury will be instructed for acquittal or that the trial will proceed on the proposition that the state is not required to connect Pettibone with the Steunenberg murder, it being only necessary to show that a conspiracy to murder existed.

In the Haywood trial Judge Wood held it was necessary for the state to produce evidence tending to connect the defendant with the specific crime charged, independent of the testimony of Orchard.

A ruling on the motion for an instructed verdict of acquittal will be made on Thursday.

40,000 TO GO BACK TO WORK.

Christmas in Pittsburg, Pa., and Vicinity Made Doubly Joyful by News That Mills Will Reopen Soon.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—Christmas in Pittsburg and vicinity was made doubly joyful today by the announcement that by Jan. 6 all of the thousands of wheels of industry in the mills of McKeesport, Glassport, Duquesne, and allied plants in the Monongahela valley would be in operation. More than 40,000 men who have been idle for several weeks will return to work. It is also said that other mills in the district also will resume shortly after the first of the year.

DAVIS GIVES HIS GIRLS JOBS.

Arkansas Senator Appoints Daughters, One as Secretary, Other as Laborer; Combined Pay $2,700 Yearly.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas, who has denounced trusts with such vehemence, has put himself on record as being not opposed to a family trust in matters of patronage. He found at his disposal as senator two appointments, one as private secretary at $1,800, and the other as laborer at $900 a year. He conferred the appointments on his two daughters.

NOTES OF CAPITAL AND LABOR.

CENTRALIA, ILL.—One thousand miners, employés of the four mines operated by the Centralia Coal company, are out on a strike because the company failed to pay entry yardage which the joint state committee of operators and miners decided the company should pay. The city is threatened with a fuel famine.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH—The Utah Consolidated Smelter company announced that the smelter would suspend operations on Jan. 1. The working force at the mine will also be cut down to a development basis. In all about 6,000 men will be thrown out of work.

NEW YORK—The salaries of all clerical employés of the Erie railroad who receive more than $60 per month will be cut from 2 to 10 per cent after Jan. 1. One thousand eight hundred employés will be affected.

MEMPHIS, TENN.—The Memphis Savings bank failed to open its doors and was placed in the hands of E. B. McHenry as receiver. A statement issued by the directors said creditors would not lose a cent.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.—Temporary receivers were appointed for the wholesale grocery firm of A. Adler & Co. Members of the firm declared they can probably meet all obligations and resume business.

VANDERGRIFT, PA.—Thirteen mills of the American Sheet and Tinplate company's works here will resume operations on Thursday after having partially closed for a month.

WED IN HURRY; DENY ELOPING

Oshkosh Couple Made Happy by Restaurant Ceremony.

SCOUR CITY FOR A JUSTICE.

Groom Says Christmas Eve Is Date of Dear Memories to Both.

A wedding under unique circumstances took place last night in Huppler's restaurant in the basement of the Chicago Opera House building, Washington and Clark streets.

The principals were H. B. Keeler, clerk for the Chicago and Northwestern railroad at Oshkosh, Wis., and Miss Selma Domke, daughter of August Domke, a contractor of Oshkosh. The only witnesses present were Mr. and Mrs. John Hacke, 46 Hammond street, cousins of the bride.

The wedding did not take place until late in the evening, because of the difficulty in securing a person qualified to perform the ceremony. None of the justices wanted to leave their families on Christmas eve long enough to come downtown. Justice of the Peace George Kendall was finally secured.

Christmas Eve Dear to Them.

The bride and groom picked out Christmas eve for various reasons. Some of the reasons were sentimental. Mr. Keeler said he had known the young woman he made his wife for four years and that the night before Christmas held memories for them that made it doubly attractive as a wedding night.

Both the bride and groom insisted that the wedding was not the result of an elopement, but that the families of both knew what was coming last week.

Mr. Keeler explained it in this way:

"We have known each other for four years. A month ago we had a little quarrel, but we made it up and decided to be married tonight. I had to come to Chicago on my way to Grand Rapids on business. My wife came down last Saturday and staid with her cousins. I suppose there will be a good many people surprised at Oshkosh. We are going to go to Grand Rapids together on Thursday."

Startles Other Guests.

The wedding was arranged in a small private dining room. The other guests in the restaurant knew nothing of what was going on until the flashlight of a photographer startled them. The occasion was one of cheer for all the lonely spirits who inhabited the restaurant on Christmas eve.

Jury Exonerates a Physician.

The verdict of the coroner's jury which investigated the death of Pearl Tilly, 24 years old, colored, 4614 Forrestville avenue, exonerated Dr. W. A. Bennett, 2301 Wentworth avenue. The woman died at the Provident hospital after she had been taken from her home in a serious condition.

Some advertisers acquired a bad habit in the days when advertising theory was more nebulous.

The habit is this: To determine the amount of an advertising appropriation by taking a certain percentage of the previous year's net profits.

Could anything be more contrary to the logic of advertising? Such procedure implies that advertising is a sort of ransom, a sop to Cerebus; whereas, it is really an investment.

The reasonable advertiser determines the amount of his appropriation by asking himself two questions: "What do I want to accomplish?" and "Have I or can I get the money to do it?

The man who makes a logical appropriation will not fail to be impressed with the unique strength of THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL as an advertising medium.

For quantity, more than a million copies each month. For quality, its pages speak for themselves.

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Happy Boys Today
ARE THOSE WHO HAVE RECEIVED A PAIR OF
Ruppert Freak Jr. High Top Shoes

OPEN TODAY Until NOON

Everybody Knows
that children's feet must be kept warm and dry in winter—the thousands of Ruppert's Freak Jr. Shoes already sold prove this.

Made of heavy elkskin, black or tan, with half bellows tongue that keeps out dampness. Large eyelets, rawhide laces, soles waterproofed, steel circulettes in the heels.

Prices—2.50—2.75—3.00
Sizes 9 to 13—13½ to 2—2½ to 5½.

Made and Fitted by Shoemakers
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3 Shops—McVICKER'S THEATER BD. CLARK & HARRISON STS. VAN BUREN & LA SALLE (NEAR LA SALLE ST. STA.)

DIAMOND RINGS REDUCED

We have too many diamond rings and will sell *fine quality* Tiffany Setting Rings—

⅛-Carat Rings, $10
¼-Carat Rings, $20
⅜-Carat Rings, $35
½-Carat Rings, $50
¾-Carat Rings, $90

all fine crystal colors, perfectly cut diamonds, 25 per cent less than you have ever bought them.

Charge Accounts

LEBOLT
STATE AND MONROE STS.
(Palmer House Corner)

OPEN ALL DAY
Xmas Day and Evening
Gunther's Confectionery

ROSY CHEEKS.
When a little maid is colorless, backward and quiet, you may be sure her food is not nourishing her. Try giving her
LIEBIG COMPANY'S EXTRACT OF BEEF
In warm milk every day; she will soon be the frisky, rosy-cheeked chatterbox that every mother worships.
½ to ¾ teaspoonful of Liebig to ½ pint of milk.
Genuine Liebig

Not in a Milk Trust
Horlick's
Malted Milk
The original and genuine
Avoid cheap substitutes at your Soda Fountain
A glass of Horlick's Malted Milk—hot—makes a delicious and refreshing lunch on a cold day.
Ask for Horlick's
At All Druggists
Take home a bottle of Horlick's and drink a glass before retiring to induce natural, restful sleep.

DEATHS.

(For other death notices see page 12.)

RIVERS—Joseph L. Rivers, Dec. 24, beloved husband of Katherine A., nee Collins, father of Marjorie, at his residence, 835 E. Turner-av. Funeral Friday at 10 a. m. to Blessed Sacrament church, thence by carriages to Calvary cemetery.

HAMILTON LEWIS PICKS A NOMINEE.

Proves Belief in "Genteel Politics" by Nominating Sullivan for U. S. Senate.

DESPITE WAR RUMORS.

Colonel Had Heard His Readiness to Be Governor Failed to Move Committeeman.

Col. James Hamilton Lewis, the Barkis of the state democracy, has demonstrated again his perfect fitness to conduct a polite campaign for the office of governor of Illinois.

Col. Lewis, who is willing if Peggoty is, had reason to believe that Col. Roger C. Sullivan desired it not that he should be the democratic nominee for the governorship next fall.

Certain happenings in New York immediately following the meeting of the democratic national committee in Washington had given this impression to Col. Lewis, who came to the conclusion that Col. Sullivan desired rather that Col. Fred J. Kern of Belleville be nominated for this honor.

Col. Lewis was grieved to think his friend Col. Sullivan should be reluctant to give him this chance to be governor of Illinois, but in the manner in which he took revenge he proved that politics and perfect gentility may go hand in hand.

Names Sullivan for Senate.

Col. Lewis yesterday nominated Col. Sullivan for the United States senate, naming him as the democratic candidate to run against Albert J. Hopkins, or whatever candidate may be the republican choice.

Col. Sullivan, according to Col. Lewis, is the one best bet in the democratic party for the senatorial race, and without looking much farther ahead than the outer precincts of his pink whiskers Col. Lewis could see Col. Sullivan occupying the seat made historic by William E. Mason and Albert J. Hopkins.

News of this delicate compliment was carried to Col. Sullivan right off the griddle. It was still hot, with the butter melting down its edges.

Col. Sullivan received it passively and without any indication that the course of the blood in his veins had been quickened any by the thought that he might succeed William E. Mason and Albert J. Hopkins. To the surprise of those who had run hot foot with the tidings that Col. Lewis had nominated him, Col. Sullivan refused to accept the post. He declines to be junior senator from Illinois, and Col. Lewis will have to give the place to some one else.

It is not known who Col. Lewis' second choice may be. The lucky man may not learn it until after Christmas. In declining to be junior senator from Illinois Col. Sullivan made it plain that he is not against Col. Lewis for governor of Illinois. He is willing to give the governorship to Col. Lewis. This much is settled and there need be no further dispute about it. [Springfield and Marengo papers please copy.]

Campbell for Deneen.

In the meanwhile the seemingly futile contest of republican leaders to secure the republican nomination for the office which Col. Sullivan is willing to give to Col. Lewis goes on. The latest development in this strife is found in the tidings that Postmaster Daniel A. Campbell, who is chiefly interested in the ambitions of Senator Hopkins to succeed himself in the office which Col. Lewis tried to give to Col. Sullivan, is about to have the Fourteenth ward declare for Gov. Deneen for renomination.

Mr. Campbell had been a serious disappointment to Judge Willard M. McEwen and Speaker Edward D. Shurtleff, who are rivals of Gov. Deneen, and if he goes so far as to have his ward organization declare for the present governor they will think harsh thoughts of him.

Judge McEwen may be prompted by a spirit of retaliation not in keeping with the present festive season and endeavor to make it warm for Mr. Campbell in his own ward. There is reason to believe that if the matches hold out the prairies will be afire out on the northwest side before long.

Will Resume Canal Inquiry.

The canal investigating committee of the legislature which resumes its session tomorrow in Chicago may call upon Gov. Deneen and ex-Gov. Yates for testimony in relation to the leases given by the canal board to the Economy Light and Power company.

AUTO SHOW "BOUNCERS" FINED; LOWER'S ASSAILANTS GUILTY.

Judge Newcomer Passes on Case That Grew Out of the Automobile Show Assault Last Month.

The four men who forcibly ejected Elton Lower, president of the city civil service commission, from the Coliseum during the automobile show, were fined yesterday in Judge Newcomer's court.

Mr. Lower testified that he had paid admission for himself and wife and was returning from the annex to the main building when he was stopped and forced from the entrance.

Albert Beaumont, who was charged with having ordered Mr. Lower from the building, was fined $50 and costs. "Slz" Hart and Henry Barstow were fined $5 and costs. J. H. Bunge was fined $1 and costs.

PARK POLICE WANT MORE PAY.

Capt. Frank Tyrell Says They Should Have Same Salary as Paid City Patrolmen.

The west park board was asked to raise the pay of park patrolmen from $85 to $100 a month at a meeting held yesterday afternoon. It also was urged that the salaries of the sergeants should be raised from $1,140 to $1,400 a year.

Frank Tyrell, captain of the park police force, said that these men should receive the same pay that is given the members of the city department.

Resolutions of sympathy were adopted occasioned by the death of Alonzo Wygant, treasurer of the board. His successor will be named at the next regular meeting.

MAIL CARRIERS TO RIDE FREE.

Gray to Be Honored After Jan. 1 as Police Blue Now Is on Street Cars.

After Jan. 1 all letter carriers in uniform can ride free on the lines of the Chicago City Railway company. The ordinance under which the company now is operating had a provision looking to this, but the form of contract with the government was one with which the postoffice department could not comply, and the matter went over. Mayor Busse called a conference of the postal and traction officials to see if the matter could not be settled and it was decided that when the present contract expires after New Years the letter carriers have the same privileges as the policemen.

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TAFT AND HUGHES LEAD IN '08 RACE.

(Continued from first page.)

any circumstances. If defeated in the convention by Taft or anyone else, he will accept the reverse philosophically, but some one will be present in the convention, by his authority, to decline the second place on the ticket before it is offered to him.

There is a belief among certain administration men here that Gov. Hughes is to be made the inner line of defense of what are known as the conservative republicans, who are said to represent the great business interests which are not closely in touch with the corporation policy of President Roosevelt.

Why Administration Is Suspicious.

According to this theory, the great business interests would be satisfied with Fairbanks, Knox, or Cannon as first choice.

Failing in these, the so-called "interests" are said to have determined to concentrate on Hughes. This understanding, whether it is reliable or not, unquestionably is responsible for the attitude of the Washington administration toward Hughes.

The New York governor is where he is largely, if not entirely, through the influence of President Roosevelt. This influence was exerted directly upon the convention by Chairman Parsons and others, who passed the word among the delegates that the president wished to see Hughes nominated.

Later on, at the personal request of President Roosevelt, Secretary Root went to New York and in a speech which seems likely to be historic in American politics attacked William Randolph Hearst root and branch. This speech, more than any other one thing, defeated Hearst, while all the rest of his ticket was elected.

The whole attitude of the Roosevelt administration has been that of friendliness toward Hughes, except of late, when there has been a suspicion that the New York governor, probably without his knowledge, was to be made the candidate of those interests in New York City, Philadelphia, Boston, and Chicago which are most violently opposed to the president and his policies.

If it were not for that fact it is more than likely the national administration would be found today in hearty accord with the New York governor.

Taft Certain of Ohio.

While it is true that New York state is now committed to Hughes, and will be practically solid for him, reports received here indicate that Taft will have a similarly clear field in Ohio.

Politicians declare that while Senator Foraker is to be admired for his bravery in attacking the administration, he has written his own political death sentence by that act.

It is asserted that while there might be an honest difference of opinion in Ohio as between Taft and Foraker, or between the two factions they represent, there can be but one outcome of a fight made directly upon President Roosevelt.

It is believed here that if Senator Foraker, with his great ability as a speaker and as a politician, had gone into the fight in Ohio and devoted his attention to Taft, and to his vulnerability as a man picked out merely to represent the ideas of another, there would have been some chance of success in a few districts.

The coming primary fight in Ohio, it is said, is to be Foraker vs. Roosevelt rather than Foraker vs. Taft, and experienced political observers say there can be but one result to such a lineup.

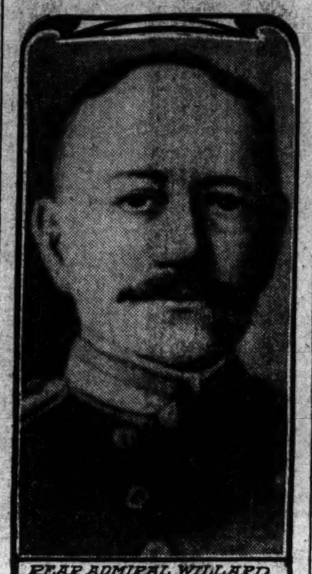
Among the stray rumors floating about Washington is a story to the effect that Senator La Follette has surprising strength as a second choice candidate in a dozen different states.

He will, of course, go into the convention with the Wisconsin delegation of twenty-six votes as a nucleus. It is believed there are several districts in the far west, as well as a few in the upper Mississippi valley, which will send La Follette delegates to the convention.

Besides that, the Wisconsin senator has canvassed the country on the lecture platform and before Chautauqua assemblies with a minuteness which has probably been equaled by no man except Bryan himself.

Members of the senate and house who are by no means friendly to La Follette say there is an undercurrent in his behalf which must not be lost sight of in making any estimate of the results of the convention at Chicago next June.

Naval Officer Who Quits Post.



REAR ADMIRAL WILLARD H. BROWNSON

Rear Admiral Willard H. Brownson, who opposed the plan suggested by Surgeon General Rixey to turn the command of navy hospital ships over to medical officers, has resigned his post as chief of the bureau of navigation of the navy department. President Roosevelt, who upheld the contentions of Dr. Rixey, accepted the bureau chief's resignation as soon as it was offered.

ERIE'S ACT MAY START WAR

Railroad Withdraws New York-Chicago Passenger Rates.

TRUNK LINES ARE AROUSED.

Intimated That Tariffs Will Be Cut Second Time, if Necessary.

The Erie railroad has announced the withdrawal of all its passenger rates now published in the Chicago rate sheet and a rate war of no mean proportions will be precipitated unless the other Chicago-New York roads bring enough pressure to bear to stop it. The new rates which the Erie proposes to establish will be announced Jan. 1, and if filed with the interstate commerce commission then will become effective Feb. 1.

This action by the Erie has aroused all the other trunk lines, and it is not improbable that several more will cancel their rates in the Chicago rate sheet. The New York Central lines already have intimated that they, too, will wish to put in new rates between Chicago and all points east.

No announcement has been made by the Erie officials as to just how far the cut in rates will go. It is reported, however, that if the fight becomes hot the tariffs will be cut a second time, and it is not improbable that for a time the fare between Chicago and New York will be $12. The second class fare is now $10, which represents a cut of $6.75.

This step is the logical result of troubles which have been brewing for several years. The Erie is what is known as a differential line and was permitted to charge a dollar less on its fare between Chicago and New York. Some time ago the Michigan Central sought to be declared a differential line also and a rate war was threatened at that time. The matter, however, was submitted to arbitration, and this resulted in what is known as the Tuttle agreement, whereby the Michigan Central gained its point.

The Erie and other roads in its class never have been reconciled to this agreement. On top of the discontent occasioned by it Erie officials claim they learned that certain of the big lines continued to pay commissions on steamship business after the interstate commerce commission ruled against it. It now proposes to reopen the old matter and will repudiate the Tuttle agreement.

In making the cut in the second class rate the Erie was closely followed by the Wabash and the Grand Trunk. The announcement was made yesterday that the Wabash also would cut the rate from Council Bluffs to Chicago.

The Grand Trunk has perfected a pension system for its employes, which will become effective on Jan. 1. Under this system all the employes, from general manager down, about 35,000, will be entitled to pensions when they have reached the age of 65 years, providing they have served the company fifteen years. The amount to be paid is 1 per cent of the average salary of the applicant for ten consecutive years. Thus, if a man served the company thirty years at an average salary of $1,000 he will receive a pension of $300 per year. Moreover, the company is to bear the entire cost of this pension department.

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For $175.00—Natural Russian Sable Set that was $300.00
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For $60.00—Pony Coat that was $100.00
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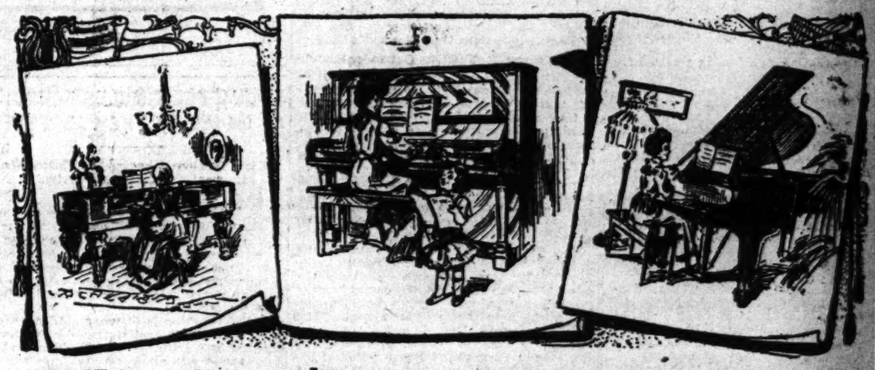

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For our share in this, we offer our cordial thanks and sincere gratitude; we realize our obligations, and we wish all the people of our own great City and State and our neighboring States a Most Happy Christmas, a New Year of yet greater Comfort and Prosperity, and many years to follow.

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NEW YORK BUREAU CHICAGO TRIBUNE, New York, Dec. 24.

Attorney General Forestalls the Governor.

Attorney General Jackson forestalled action by Gov. Hughes in the case of Borough President John F. Ahearn by serving Mr. Ahearn with a summons and complaint in quo warranto proceedings Monday night. Suit is brought in the Supreme court in this district and Mr. Ahearn has thirty days in which to answer.

Mayor McClellan sent a special message to Albany Monday afternoon with a letter to Gov. Hughes giving all the facts in Ahearn's case, especially his reelection by Manhattan aldermen and the circumstances under which the mayor administered the oath of office to him. After reciting the facts the mayor said: "I submit this matter for such action as you deem necessary."

Acting on this letter of the mayor's it was the intention of the governor to send forthwith a letter to Jackson, asking him to bring proceedings. But Jackson apparently got wind of what was doing and took the head of the procession. The suit as instituted simply calls upon Ahearn to show by what right he holds office. If it has to take the usual course it probably will not be decided finally until after Ahearn's term expires.

By the nature of such a suit the defendant is recognized as de facto official and not until the final adjudication of it can he be prevented from exercising the duties of his office.

Engineers Build Arch of Quicksand.

What is regarded by engineers as one of the most wonderful achievements ever undertaken in subterranean construction work is nearing completion in the McAdoo tunnel beneath the junction of Sixth avenue and Ninth street. At that point four tunnels come together. Overhead is the Sixth avenue "L" and the Sixth avenue surface road and crosstown surface cars.

Under the direction of Charles M. Jacobs, chief engineer of the Hudson companies, which is constructing the tunnels with no inconvenience to surface traffic, a great arch of sand sixty-eight feet wide has been built by compressed air at the point where the tunnels come together.

The arch is of quicksand and it is proposed to make this sixty-eight foot quicksand arch permanent with concrete, and when this has been done it will sustain the tremendous weight of the street overhead, with its great volume of "L," surface car, and vehicular traffic.

Dividend Payments Ease the Money Market.

Anticipation today of the interest and dividend payments due Jan. 1 by many large corporations has tended to relieve the pressure upon money at the end of the year. The Chicago and Northwestern Railway company anticipated the payment of its dividend which ordinarily would be made Jan. 2. Stockholders received their checks today, the total disbursement being about $1,000,000.

The Kansas City Viaduct and Terminal Railway company will anticipate the payment of interest due Jan. 2 on its first mortgage 4½ per cent bonds. Interest will be paid Dec. 26.

The New Amsterdam Gas company announced that it will anticipate the payment of 5 per cent interest on $15,600,000 bonds.

The regular semiannual dividend of 6 per cent and the extra dividend of 2 per cent were declared by the Bank of Manhattan company.

By declaration the semiannual dividend of 4 per cent on the stock of the Fourth National bank has been placed on an 8 per cent basis. Since 1905 the yearly rate has been 7 per cent.

Wife's Job as Stenographer Leads to Trouble.

George J. Hermann, a wealthy builder and real estate speculator of Borough Park, Brooklyn, was served today with summons and complaint in a suit to recover $50,000 damages for alienation. The plaintiff is Capt. Charles B. Stoddard of the Ward Line Steamship company.

The Stoddards were married in June, 1902, and two years later Mrs. Stoddard became the mother of a baby which subsequently died. Capt. Stoddard was away from home a great deal on trips south and Mrs. Stoddard decided to earn something toward paying household expenses. She got employment as stenographer for Mr. Hermann at his real estate office. Mr. Herrmann has a wife and four children.

Mrs. Stoddard says some one who was jealous began sending her clippings from newspapers referring to the Earle affinity case, and this began to annoy her. She complained to her husband, but instead of taking her view of the case he brought suit against Hermann.

Hebrew Charities Closed Because Short of Funds.

The United Hebrew Charities, which helps about 40,000 persons in the course of the year, closed its doors temporarily today because of lack of funds. It is expected the main offices will be reopened Jan. 1, but two branches have been closed permanently. The trustees closed the third branch a month ago. The suspension has been foreshadowed for some time, but it generally was believed that the funds would be forthcoming in time to prevent it.

Dr. Lee K. Frankel, superintendent of the society, ascribed the condition partly to a falling off of contributions, due to hard times, and partly to the fact that the organization is years gone by had been attempting to do more than it could afford with the available resources.

No Longer Is There a Craze for Teddy Bears.

When the department stores closed tonight and most of the stock in the toy departments was exhausted by the Christmas rush, there were still lots of Teddy bears in sight. The craze for them is over and the stores and factories are loaded up with stock that probably will soon adorn the bargain counters.

Girls who forsook dolls for the furry beasts are going back to their original preference, and their small brothers are taking kindly to stuffed bulldogs with ferocious mussles, fox terriers with sawdust hearts, monkeys, rabbits, elephants, and the like.

Miss Gould Helps Immigrants Enjoy Christmas.

Helen Gould visited Ellis island today, and saw 1,000 immigrants sit down to a bounteous Christmas dinner provided by Harry Baile, who caters for the island. Miss Gould presided over a tree laden with pink carnations, and every man, woman, and child on the island wore one tonight. From other trees the children received dolls, toys, and a box of candy each.

Detroit Gets Pere Marquette Offices.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—As a result of the recent reorganization of the Père Marquette railroad company, the office force of the road will be moved from Cincinnati to this city Jan. 1. Two hundred men will be affected.

It Is Never Too Late.

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Girl Who Wants Scalps and Candy Instead of Pedestrians' Kisses.

Miss Ruby Bensabott

WANTS SCALPS, NOT KISSES

Miss Bensabott's Ultimatum Sequel of Walking Contest.

SOLE LOSER WILL BE HOST.

Frank J. Zorn Invites Victorious Pedestrians to $500 Feast.

"Kisses? Horrors, no. Scalps—and that five pound box of candy."

This was the ultimatum of Miss Ruby Bensabott, 902 South Albany avenue, yesterday when she learned that there was a "kiss wager" hinged to the fifty mile walking contest indulged in by eight members of the Windsor Park Country club.

And it was this ultimatum that lent impetus to the "uprising" among the "R. A. C." walkers, who were spurred on to the weary undertaking by the kiss wager no less than the financial proposition that the losers had to pay for a $500 banquet to the winners and their friends on New Year's eve.

The "uprising" took a start yesterday when the walkers learned that Frank J. Zorn, president of the Columbia School agency, 1005 Manhattan building, failed to acknowledge that he is to be the lone financial host at the New Year's feast. In announcing the results of the fifty mile walkfest Mr. Zorn overlooked the incidental fact that he was the only one of the eight walkers who failed to "make good."

Call Agitator to Task.

Then when Miss Bensabott asserted she would demand the scalps of the eight walkers, instead of as many kisses, the victorious walkers moved their stiffened joints in the direction of the Manhattan building and called the "chief agitator" to task.

But, considering all the original facts and resultant complications, it probably will be a long time before Mr. Zorn promotes another "walkfest," or makes boast of his prowess as a hiker. Miss Bensabott, when seen yesterday in her father's curio shop, 173 Wabash avenue, asserted it was up to Mr. Zorn to make good the wager he proposed and donate the five pound box of candy.

"It is scalps and not kisses that I will insist on having," said Miss Bensabott. "And yet, I don't know what good Mr. Zorn's scalp would be. I know all the young men who made the walk, but the story that I am engaged to Joe White is absolutely untrue. Why, I haven't seen Joe more than two or three times since a year ago last summer."

Zorn Proves Good Loser.

Last evening, after interviewing his companions, Mr. Zorn graciously accepted the situation. He agreed not only to finance the New Year's eve smoker but to see that Miss Bensabott got a five pound box of candy instead of his scalp.

"Zorn tried to put the joke on me," said Joe White, whose official title is "master jester of the R. A. C.'s." "It really is on Zorn. Of course, any of us fellows might have had neuralgia in the right jaw had our pins given out. It was Zorn's own proposition that no excuses went. Zorn only walked as far as Hammond. Of course he will put up for the banquet."

RUSSIAN POLICE FIND PLOT TO KILL MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

Long Search Leads to Disclosure of Elaborate Plans of Terrorists—Vast Stores of Bombs Discovered.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 24.—The police have at last succeeded in unraveling the terrorist plot which long has been baffling their exertions and which caused recent wholesale arrests in St. Petersburg and Finland.

They discovered, among the documents seized, extensive correspondence proving that the object of the conspiracy was to blow up the council of the empire, where the highest dignitaries in the realm meet and where some of the grand dukes frequently are present.

Among the papers seized is an application in the name of the Journal Sovremenoe Slovo for a ticket of admission to the meetings of the council. This led to the arrest of the entire editorial staff, but as the editor proved that a similar application had been handed in long ago all were released.

Men and women implicated in the conspiracy are being arrested daily, mostly in Finnish territory, where a large store of bombs and high power explosives and detonators have been discovered, hidden under ice blocks.

NEWS PURELY PERSONAL.

JOHN MITCHELL, president of the mineworkers, is improving, but he is still weak and not able to leave his room at Indianapolis. It is his wish to go to Excelsior Springs, Mo., as soon as he is able.

SECRETARY TAFT returned to Washington from Cincinnati, where he went to settle some matters connected with the estate of his mother.

PROF. ALEXANDER AGASSIZ, director and curator of the Harvard museum, will head an expedition to Central Africa within a short time.

NO BLAME FOR MISS MALONEY

Father of Girl Who Eloped to Europe Talks of Case.

SHE WANTS TO "FORGET IT."

Says Both Clarkson and Herbert Osborne Are Dead to Her.

New York, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Helen Maloney, who eloped with Samuel Clarkson from New York several months ago, despite the fact she had married Herbert Osborne two years before, is back in America, heartsore over her escapade.

She is at Lakewood, N. J., in the home of her brother-in-law, Carberry Ritchie, where she went quietly on her arrival in America last Thursday.

"I have stricken Samuel Clarkson and Arthur Herbert Osborne out of my life. All I want is that this miserable matter should be forgotten," she said today to an interviewer.

Miss Maloney, with her father, Martin Maloney, and her sister, Mrs. Carberry Ritchie, arrived in New York five days ago. She left the convent at Perugia, Italy, on Dec. 2. So quietly was her arrival in America arranged that not until late tonight did her own mother, who is at the town house of the Maloneys in Logan square, Philadelphia, know of her presence in this country.

Does Not Blame Daughter.

Martin Maloney, looking older and not nearly so chipper as he was before his daughter's escapade, was surprised that the fact that he was in America had become known.

"I have no formal statement to make," he said. "I had hoped all this matter could be settled without publicity, but I have seen that that is impossible.

"After a talk with my lawyer I will make a statement. Our homecoming was kept secret, even from members of the family, because we feared publicity. As to the future, there will be a suit brought for the annulment of the marriage of Osborne. This will be begun as soon as the papers in it have been prepared.

"I am satisfied with my daughter's explanation of the matter, and although it cannot help but cast a shadow over our lives we feel that she is not to blame."

Asked why a statement had not been made before, Mr. Maloney said: "I feel now it would have been better to have made a statement, but it is too late now. My family here acted for what they thought was best, whatever they did. I will make a statement that will throw light on the case and clear up many points."

Girl's Face Shows Sadness.

Miss Maloney was seen only for a minute. She came into the room where the reporter was talking to her father, and it was in reply to the question as to whether she had renounced both Osborne, who married her there, and Clarkson, the young Englishman in whose company she fled to Europe, that she made the reply that she had stricken them both out of her heart.

The young woman looked pale and thin. There was no luster in her eye, and little in her face or voice suggested the Helen Maloney of a few months ago.

OBITUARY.

MRS. CHARLES F. MILLSPAUGH, 5748 Madison avenue, a club woman and wife of the curator of the botany department of the Field museum, who died Monday evening, was taken to Waverly, N. Y., yesterday for burial. At one time Mrs. Millspaugh was national president of the Woman's Outdoor Art league, and at the time of her death was the head of the Chicago branch of the association. She was also a member of the Chicago Woman's club and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

WILLIAM W. LOCK, a resident of Chicago since 1841, died at his home, 159 South Wood street, yesterday. He was born in Philadelphia on March 12, 1835. He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Addie Bigelow Lock; a brother, Samuel A. Lock of Chicago; and two sisters, Mrs. James Boyd of Springfield, Mass., and Mrs. Charles L. Boyd of Chicago. The funeral services will be held at the brother's residence, 2536 Wabash avenue, at 2 o'clock tomorrow. The interment will be in Graceland.

JOSEPH L. RIVERS, 535 South Turner avenue, former president of the Stone Cutters' union and one of the oldest members of that organization, died yesterday at Augustana hospital, after a lingering illness. Mr. Rivers left a widow and daughter.

THE REV. FRANKLIN S. HATCH, 80 years old, general secretary of the Christian Endeavor movement in India, Burmah, and Ceylon for several years, died at his home in Brookline, Mass., yesterday of pneumonia.

JOHN A. SANFORD, aged 84 years, one of the best known woodenware men in the country, died at Menasha, Wis., yesterday from a nervous ailment.

Writ Saves Him from Jail.

Patrick C. Faherty, a plumber, was committed to jail by Judge Newcomer yesterday afternoon for failure to comply with an order directing him to pay his wife $5 a week, but before Faherty was taken into custody a writ of habeas corpus was obtained from Judge McEwen. Faherty became ill about five weeks ago and lost his employment. He then was unable to comply with the order.

FLEET AT ANCHOR; "LAND LEGS" USED

Admiral Evans Pays Official Visit to British Governor at Port of Spain.

TORPEDO FLOTILLA HELD

Accident to Whipple's Propeller Delays Departure of Boats for Rio Janeiro.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Dec. 24.—Rear Admiral Evans, Rear Admiral Emory, commanding the second division of the "battle fleet"; Rear Admiral Thomas, commanding the third division; and Rear Admiral Sperry, commanding the fourth division, together with the members of their staffs, went ashore today and proceeded to Government house, where they paid a formal call on Sir H. M. Jackson, governor of the colony. The governor, who is just recovering from the effects of a surgical operation, heeded the request of Admiral Evans and returned the visit at Queen's Park hotel, as the trip to the flagship would have been too fatiguing for him in his present condition.

Torpedo Flotilla Delayed Again.

The departure of the destroyer flotilla was checked again today. At the start the Whipple damaged its propeller and the trip to Rio will not begin until repairs are made.

Two thousand liberty men from the various ships of the fleet are ashore today, enjoying themselves in the usual sailorman fashion.

A number of officers were received at the barracks of the constabulary.

The voyage of the fleet from Hampton roads here was uneventful, except for the burial on Sunday of one of the Alabama's seamen, Robert Pipes, who had died of meningitis. He was enlisted at Dallas last August.

During the voyage the Missouri was detached to carry a sick man to San Juan and the Illinois to carry another one to Culebra.

A sailor of the destroyer Whipple was buried at sea off Hatteras. Another man became insane on the way here.

Father Neptune Is Due.

Proclamations have been posted on all ships announcing the ceremonies attendant upon Neptune's visit when the fleet crosses the equator.

Warning is given that "land lubbers, pollywogs, and sea lawyers" will not escape initiation. Men of family are advised to make their wills.

Three-fourths of all the crews have never crossed the equator and therefore will have to submit to being "ducked and shaved."

METCALF SENDS GREETINGS.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Secretary of the Navy Metcalf today sent the following Christmas greeting to the officers and men of the Atlantic battleship fleet and the torpedo destroyer flotilla:

"Evans, Port of Spain, Trinidad: The department extends to you, officers, and men under your command, the best wishes for a merry Christmas. METCALF."

POPE VISITS SACRED COLLEGE.

Christmas Greetings Exchanged with the Cardinals—Topics of Church Interest Are Discussed.

ROME, Dec. 24.—The pope was present at the Sacred college today for the exchange of Christmas greetings with the cardinals. No addresses were made, but the pontiff conversed familiarly with each cardinal, on such topics as modernism and the revision of the vulgate. With Cardinal Gasparri he spoke at some length on the codification of the canon law.

Mayor Fined for Assault.

Mayor Arvin E. Pris, Elgin's chief executive, was fined $3 and costs by Justice Thompson in that city yesterday for an assault on John Reidis, a reporter, committed a week ago. He announced his intention of appealing to the Circuit court.

INSANE MAN MURDERS NURSE

Claiming He Was Hypnotized, Milwaukeean Seeks Revenge.

REFUSED JOB, SHOOTS TWO.

Waiter Takes Law Into Own Hands Against Philadelphia Men.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Sister Theresa Buckley, a sister of charity at St. Mary's hospital, was shot and killed today by Gustav Wirth, an insane marine fireman, who had been a patient at the hospital.

Wirth went to the hospital with the intention of killing Dr. W. E. Fox, the surgeon in charge of the marine ward, who had operated upon the insane man, and who, Wirth thought, had hypnotized him. Wirth had paid many visits to the hospital since his discharge for the purpose of having the spell broken.

Wirth entered the hospital, leaving his coat and hat outside. He was met at the office door by Sister Dolores, the mother superior, and she called Sister Theresa, knowing that she had been successful on former occasions in pacifying the man.

Shoots Without Warning.

Before Sister Theresa had time to speak Wirth drew a revolver and crying, "You are the one I am looking for," shot her three times, one bullet entering her mouth and two piercing her chest. Sister Theresa died as she was being carried to her own room. Wirth was caught as he was leaving the hospital.

Sister Theresa Buckley was 57 years old and had been a member of the community thirty-five years, being a trained nurse in the pharmacy department. She was born in Ireland, joined the order of the Sisters of Charity at Emmetsburg, Md., and had been stationed at Milwaukee for fifteen years, coming here from Keokuk, Ia.

Refused Position; Shoots Two.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 24.—William Pateans, a waiter formerly employed in a restaurant at Ninth and Filbert streets, entered the place today and, after being refused a position, shot and seriously injured John C. Witcher, the manager, and Frank Roseman, the head waiter. Pateans then placed the revolver to his head in an effort at suicide, but the weapon failed to explode."

FUTURE TO HEAR OUR SINGERS.

Talking Machine and Records Preserving Voices for Century Buried in Paris Opera House.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A talking machine and a number of disks bearing records of the voices of the greatest singers of the twentieth century were deposited in a specially prepared vault in the subterranean passages of the opera house today.

Tamagno, Caruso, Scotti, Plancon, Patti, Melba, Calvé, and others are represented in the selection.

The disks are in double boxes, each separate from the other. Neither light nor air can penetrate the coverings, and it is believed that they can be thus preserved for a century. At the end of a hundred years they can be opened, and the people of that age will have the opportunity of hearing voices of this era as well as seeing the talking machine as manufactured today.

POLICE GUARD DRUCE GRAVE.

Extraordinary Precautions Being Taken to Prevent Tampering with Tomb Involved in Famous Suit.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Extraordinary precautions are being taken to prevent tampering with the grave of T. C. Druce, which will be opened in the course of the next few days to prove whether or not it contains the body of Druce or a roll of lead.

A large force of police was sent to High Gate cemetery this morning and took up positions on all the approaches to the grave. A special cordon was drawn up around the vault.

The burial place is being shut in with a high board fence, and will be roofed over, so that unauthorized persons will have no chance of witnessing the exhumation.

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LEFT!

Previous to stock-taking we will close out the goods left over from our great Christmas sale at very low prices, including odd pieces of Furniture and some attractive bargains in Lace Curtains, Oriental Rugs, Portieres, Wilton Rugs, Axminster Rugs, Draperies, etc.

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Before-Inventory Clearance Sale

COMMENCES TO-MORROW MORNING

Hundreds of articles will be placed on sale at prices ranging from 25 to 50 per cent less than regular prices. All odd pieces must be closed out at once. Note the Prices:

Special Bargains in
Parlor and Library Furniture.

$10.00 Parlor Rocker. Sale price....7.75
$48.00 Parlor Suit, three pieces. Sale price 34.00
$44.00 Easy Chair, mahogany. Sale price 32.00
$55.00 Sofa, solid mahogany. Sale price 37.50
$37.50 Parlor Arm Chair, solid mahogany. Sale price..... 18.75
$36.00 Divan, silk plush cushion. Sale price 18.00
$15.50 Settee, golden oak. Sale price. 8.75
$56.00 Davenport, upholstered in Verona velour. Sale price..... 28.00
$60.00 Davenport Sofa Bed. Sale price 35.00
$5.50 Parlor Rocker. Sale price..... 3.75
$12.00 Morris Chair, golden oak, weathered and mahoganized birch. Sale price 7.75
$27.50 Leather Library Rocker. Sale price 19.50
$26.00 Settee, leather seat, solid mahogany. Sale price 18.00
$19.50 Settee, Colonial design, solid mahogany. Sale price 9.75
$75.00 Parlor Suit, solid mahogany, three pieces. Sale price 49.00
$100.00 Parlor Suit, solid mahogany, three pieces. Sale price 65.00
$40.00 Divan, loose silk plush cushion, solid mahogany. Sale price..20.75
$240.00 Parlor Suit, solid mahogany, three large pieces. Sale price....127.50
$60.00 Sofa, solid mahogany, upholstered in leather. Sale price..... 35.00
$200.00 Davenport, solid mahogany, upholstered in plain velour. Sale price 150.00

Com. Bookcases & Desks

$48.00 mahogany Combination Bookcase, 48 inches wide, large mirror and bent glass door. Sale price...35.00
$18.00 golden oak Combination Bookcase, bent glass door. Sale price.13.50
$44.00 golden oak Combination Bookcase, bent glass door. Sale price..33.00
$32.00 canopy top Combination Bookcase, bent glass door, two large mirrors. Sale price 24.00
$20.00 golden oak Combination Bookcase, polished finish, hand carved. Sale price 14.50
$18.00 mahogany inlaid front Desk, polished finish. Sale price..... 13.00
$17.00 mahogany inlaid front Desk, polished finish. Sale price..... 12.75
$72.00 solid mahogany Desk, large size, four drawers. Sale price....45.00
$50.00 solid mahogany inlaid Desk, fine quality. Sale price 36.00

Dining Room Furniture.

$300.00 mahogany Sideboard, massive, Colonial design, over 7 feet long. Sale price 150.00
$67.50 mahogany China Cabinet, leaded glass doors. Sale price...33.75
$65.00 mahogany Dining Table, 54 inch top. Sale price 45.00
$175.00 fumed oak Sideboard. Sale price 68.00
$100.00 fumed oak China Cabinet. Sale price 50.00
$125.00 golden oak Sideboard. Sale price 95.00
$145.00 golden oak China Cabinet, glass shelves and mirror back. Sale price 115.00
$60.00 golden oak China Cabinet. Sale price 35.00
$80.00 weathered oak Buffet. Sale price 60.00
$42.00 weathered oak China Cabinet, leaded glass doors. Sale price...31.50
$46.00 weathered oak China Cabinet, leaded glass doors. Sale price....35.00
$45.00 weathered oak Serving Table. Sale price 27.50

Bed Room Furniture.

$136.00 mahogany Dresser, two large and two small drawers, bevel plate mirror, richly carved. Sale price.100.00
$125.00 mahogany Chiffonier, to match Dresser, four large and two small drawers. Sale price 95.00
$90.00 mahogany Colonial Dresser, two large, two medium, and three small drawers, plate mirror. Sale price 58.00
$80.00 mahogany Colonial Chiffonier to match Dresser, four large, two medium, and three small drawers. Sale price 58.00
$50.00 mahogany Gentleman's Chiffonier and Shaving Stand. Sale price 37.50
$115.00 solid mahogany Twin Beds, high post, Colonial design. Sale price ..... each 87.50
$130.00 manogany Dresser, 54 inches long, three large and two small drawers, plate mirror. Sale price..97.50
$120.00 mahogany Chiffonier, to match Dresser, 40 inches long, 4 large and 2 small drawers, plate glass mirror. Sale price 80.00
$70.00 mahogany Dressing Table, to match Dresser and Chiffonier, 40 inches long, 2 drawers, plate glass mirror. Sale price 52.50
$63.00 mahogany Chiffonier, 36 in. long, bevel plate mirror, 4 large and 2 small drawers, richly carved. Sale price 43.00
$80.00 mahogany French Dressing Case, 1 large and 6 small drawers, plate mirror. Sale price..... 50.00
$100.00 mahogany Dresser, French design, swell front, carved feet, large oval mirror. Sale price....50.00
$90.00 Tuna mahogany Dresser, Colonial design, 50 inches long, 2 large and 3 small drawers, glass knobs, plate mirror. Sale price...75.00
$70.00 Tuna mahogany Chiffonier to match Dresser, 4 large and 2 small drawers, glass knobs, plate mirror. Sale price..... 55.00

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$50.00 mahogany Library Table, French design, three drawers on each side, claw feet, 34x54 inch top. Sale price..... 65.00
$90.00 mahogany Library Table, Colonial design, heavy pillar base, claw feet, oval top, 40x60 inches. Sale price 55.00
$50.00 mahogany Library Table, Colonial design, double pillar base, 32x48 inch top. Sale price..... 37.50
$35.00 mahogany Library Table, Colonial design, heavy straight legs, large shelf and drawer, 30x48 inch top. Sale price 29.00
$30.00 mahogany Library Table, French design, curved legs, large shelf and drawer, 30x48 inch top. Sale price 19.75
$60.00 golden oak Library Table, heavy turned legs, 30x48 inch top. Sale price 25.00
$47.50 golden oak Library Table, Colonial design, heavy plain legs, two drawers, 30x48 inch top. Sale price 30.00
$32.00 golden oak Library Table, French design, one shelf and drawer, 30x48 inch top. Sale price..19.75
$26.00 golden oak Library Table, Colonial design, heavy square legs, one shelf and drawer, oval top 17 x46 inches. Sale price..... 15.75
$18.00 golden oak Library Table, Colonial design, small shelf and drawer, 28x42 inch top. Sale price..13.50
$38.00 weathered oak Library Table, mission design, eight square legs, three drawers, two book shelves on each end, 30x54 inch top. Sale price 29.75
$24.00 weathered oak Library Table, mission design, heavy square legs, two drawers, 30x48 inch top. Sale price 16.00
$31.00 weathered oak Library Table, mission design, straight square legs, large shelf and drawer, 32x 60 inch top. Sale price..... 13.75
$15.00 weathered oak Library Table, mission design, straight square legs, 22x48 inch top. Sale price... 9.75

Brass and Enameled Beds

$16.25 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 11.00
$14.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 10.50
$11.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 8.00
$12.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 8.50
$8.50 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 6.00
$13.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 10.00
$19.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 13.50
$24.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 19.50
$8.50 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 6.00
$8.50 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 5.75
$16.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 11.50
$12.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 8.50
$13.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 9.50
$16.50 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 10.50
$21.00 White Enameled Bed. Sale price 13.00

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$4.50 Anatolian Mats. Sale price... 2.75
$8.00 Hamadan Rugs. Sale price... 4.85
$12.00 Kazakdji Rugs. Sale price... 7.75
$9.00 Saddle Bags. Sale price..... 4.65
$25.00 Mousseul Rugs. Sale price... 13.50
$25.00 Guendji Rugs. Sale price... 13.50
$25.00 Baluchistan Rugs. Sale price. 13.50
$40.00 Kurdistan Rugs. Sale price.. 19.25
$70.00 Cashmere Rugs. Sale price.. 37.50
$100.00 Khiva Rugs. Sale price..... 67.50

American Rug Bargains

$35.00 12x9 Wilton Rugs. Sale price. 20.50
$30.00 10.6x8.3 Wilton Rugs. Sale price 24.75
$28.00 12x9 Body Brussels Rugs. Sale price 24.00
$27.00 10.6x8.3 Body Brussels Rugs. Sale price 22.00
$28.00 12x10.6 Tapestry Brussels Rugs. Sale price 19.75
$35.00 12x10.6 Bigelow Axminster Rugs. Sale price..... 26.50
$25.00 12x9 Velvet Rugs. Sale price. 20.00
$22.50 10.6x8.3 Velvet Rugs. Sale price 17.50
$18.00 9x6 Velvet Rugs. Sale price. 12.75
$15.00 9x6 Smyrna Rugs. Sale price. 10.75
$8.00 7x4 Smyrna Rugs. Sale price.. 5.75
$5.00 6x3 Smyrna Rugs. Sale price.. 3.75
$3.50 60x30 Smyrna Rugs. Sale price 2.50
$1.50 36x18 Smyrna Rugs. Sale price. 1.00

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Merchants Declare Holiday Trade Equal if Not in Excess of That of Last Year.

POOR PEOPLE ARE AIDED.

Women in Autos Answer Santa Claus Letters by Distributing Food and Clothing.

There will be Christmas cheer enough and to spare in Chicago today. Reports of holiday business indicate that the degree of holiday making will not be behind that of last year in spite of the hard times. There will be the usual festivities arranged by charitable organizations for the more unfortunate of the city's population.

Snow began to fall shortly before 11 p. m. and there seemed to be a prospect for an old fashioned Christmas. The forecaster said it would be cloudy today, with flurries of snow, but as to temperature, there will be little change until tomorrow.

Some indication of the degree of Christmas cheer, as measured by gifts and the dollars and cents they represent, was given by the State street merchants, who said they were well satisfied with the holiday trade. Their volume of business may be accepted as a barometer for other merchants throughout the city.

Spokesmen for the big stores said the month of December would equal that of last year and in some cases the figures would exceed those of 1906. Trade started slowly enough the first of the month, they said, but the last ten days had been so busy that the aggregate of sales was something tremendous.

Big Merchants Pleased.

They were well pleased to hold their own, especially in view of the fact that New York merchants are complaining of a falling off of 20 per cent in the holiday trade, as compared with a year ago.

"There has never been a broader, more generous Christmas spirit in Chicago, from our point of view," declared John G. Shedd of Marshall Field & Co. "Instead of indications of business depression, our experience has been just the opposite. Our retail store has been crowded, and the business has been something enormous. This means considerably more at this time than in former years, when there was no talk of financial stringency.

"Our sales will exceed those of last December by 14 per cent. One day during last week our number of packages delivered were 15 or 16 per cent higher than they were a year ago."

The retail store of Marshall Field & Co. has been enlarged since last December, increasing its capacity for business.

The same encouraging news was received from other stores in the street.

Sales Surprisingly Large.

"In the last ten days," said Charles A. Stevens, "the trade has been remarkably brisk, and in the last five days we have been taxed to our capacity for selling goods. The first of the month started slowly, but the indications are now that the sales of the month will fully equal, if they do not surpass, those of last year."

Joseph Basch of Siegel, Cooper & Co. was in the same cheerful frame of mind.

"Last Saturday and Monday," he said, "were the two biggest days in the history of the store. None of the State street merchants have any reason to complain. The trade began a little slow for the holidays, the first of the month, but the rush toward the last brought up the average sales to such a point that they will be as good as last December, if not more extensive."

Christmas Cheer for the Poor.

Members of the philanthropic committee of the West Side Coeducational club enacted the roles of Mrs. Santa Claus via the automobile method, gladdening thirty families, made up principally of deserted wives and helpless children. It was all the result of the postal authorities allowing Santa Claus letters to reach destinations other than the dead letter office.

Mrs. C. Todd Hood, president of the club; Mrs. David Duncan, and Mrs. Charles A. Dana made the tour in three automobiles furnished gratis by the Buick Motor company. They distributed many baskets of turkeys, chickens, cakes, candies, cranberries, and other Christmas fare.

The first "home" visited was that of Frank Fitzgerald, the loft of a stable in the rear of 517 Park avenue. There the visitors left one of the heavy baskets, clothing for Fitzgerald, who is in the last stages of consumption, and some for his wife, who washes to pay the rent and supply medicine for her husband. Mrs. Hood made Fitzgerald promise he would go with her to Dunning for treatment.

Earl Perry, a painter laid up with Bright's disease, was found in a basement at 868 Carroll avenue. On a stand in the front room were seven bibles which had been left there by charitably inclined church people. Little Grace Perry, who wrote the letter, eagerly grabbed the food.

Mrs. John Boynes, deserted two years ago, is slaving day and night to keep seven little children fed and clothed and the task seems too great for her. The baby is now down with the fever. Food and clothing were given to the family. Many similar cases of distress were found and relieved.

Santa Claus Hubbard Is Aided.

The Christmas spirit was exemplified again in the office of Assistant Postmaster Hubbard, who for the last week has been looking after the thousands of Santa Claus letters. Mrs. Marshall Field sent a check for $50 with this note:

Dear Mr. Hubbard: Please let this go as far as it will to buy shoes for the children who asked for them and oblige. DELIA FIELD.

Mrs. P. D. Armour and Mrs. J. Ogden Armour each sent checks for $25. Other contributions during the day were from R. P. Barstow, $5; Otto Baer, $20; the Rev. Robert M. Kemp, Emil Kuehne, and $10 from a man who did not want his name given.

South of the big State street stores many poor people with happy faces were seen trudging home with well filled baskets. They came from the distributing center of the Volunteers of America, in Hubbard court, where nearly 1,000 baskets were given out. There were thirty other smaller distributing centers where other baskets were supplied to the poor.

The Salvation army distributed over 3,500 dinners to those who otherwise would have had only a meager Christmas fare.

Police Help Destitute Family.

Paul Spirowski, 22 Garfield court, appealed to Lieut. Max Danner of the North Halsted street station for aid, saying his family was destitute and he has had no work for two months. He has nine children, ranging from 1 to 15 years old. A policeman was sent to the house and found the story of Spirowski true. A collection was taken at the station and $6 was turned over to Spirowski with which to buy coal and food.

Each of the 240 boys at the Parental school at Bowmanville received presents at night from a large Christmas tree which was brilliantly lighted by electricity. After the boys had given a clever vaudeville performance greetings sent by Judge Tuthill were read by Superintendent of Compulsory Education W. L. Bodine, who later gave a short talk.

Upwards of 150 children received presents and candy from two large Christmas trees at the Christopher settlement house, 120 Fullerton avenue. The affair was given by the Visiting Nurses' association of the four north side districts.

The Chicago Relief and Aid society supplied 100 families with Christmas comforts.

Joy in County Institutions.

Christmas will be observed at all the county institutions today. Hundreds of packages containing presents were left at the jail by friends and relatives of the 400 prisoners. There will be turkey dinner for the prisoners today, and an entertainment in the afternoon of songs, recitations, and instrumental music, under direction of the Paulist fathers.

There will be over 4,000 pounds of turkey for the dinner at the Dunning hospital, and gifts for all the patients. Chicken potpie will be the principal article on the bill of fare at the house of correction, where there are 3,500 inmates. At the John Worthy school Christmas festivities began last night with a Christmas tree and distribution of presents.

Services in Churches Today.

Christmas services will be held in many churches in the city. There will be special musical programs at All Saints' Episcopal, Wilson and Hermitage avenues; Church of the Atonement, Kenmore and Ardmore avenues; Epiphany Episcopal, Ashland boulevard and Adams street; St. Andrews, Washington boulevard and Robey street; St. Catharine's Roman Catholic, Austin; St. Malachy's, Western avenue and Walnut street; St. Mary's, Evanston; and the Second Presbyterian, Indiana avenue and Twenty-first street.

Will Celebrate Her Elopement.

Mrs Algy Strybel

Friends of Miss Nellie Carter who lives at 5930 Iowa street, Austin, were surprised to learn yesterday she had eloped with Algy Strybel, a dramatic student of Cincinnati, early in December, quietly, and returned home.

News of the elopement and wedding was conveyed in invitations sent to friends requesting their presence at a reception "given in honor of the elopement marriage." The function will take place on Saturday evening, Jan. 4, at the residence of the bride.

The young couple met each other in a romantic manner. One evening almost a year ago Miss Carter, when coming home from a visit, was annoyed by a couple of mashers who followed her on board an "L" train. Mr. Strybel went to the aid of the maiden in distress and thrashed her annoyers. He called regularly at the Carter home after that.

WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS PLANS

Members of President's Family Will Observe Day Without Formality—Possum for Dinner.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Christmas day at the White house will be celebrated without formality by the president and members of his family, no guests except relatives being expected to share in the festivities. In the morning members of the president's family will enjoy the distribution of presents in the library, but there will be no Christmas tree. All the president's children, including Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, his oldest daughter, will spend Christmas at home. Mrs. Longworth has recovered from the recent operation for appendicitis and was able to walk about the White house today.

The president and Mrs. Roosevelt probably will go out into the country for a horseback ride tomorrow afternoon. In the evening the president and his family will dine at the usual hour and a savory dish will be made of one of the fat possums sent to Mr. Roosevelt by Mrs. Longstreet, widow of the confederate general.

Loads of Christmas gifts have reached the White house in the last two days, packages having been delivered almost hourly by express companies and by messenger.

President Roosevelt today followed the custom established at the White house some years ago of giving to each of the married policemen and other employes about the White house a turkey for his Christmas dinner. Thirty or forty turkeys were distributed today.

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NEWS OF THE SOCIETY WORLD

Many Family Dinner Parties Announced for Today.

COLLEGE DANCES GIVEN.

Many Evening Affairs for Young People Home for the Holidays.

Christmas in the homes of Chicago's wealthier people will be a decided family celebration. Senator and Mrs. Albert Beveridge (Katherine Eddy) have come on from Indianapolis to spend Christmas and a few days following with Mrs. Beveridge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus N. Eddy, and if Mrs. Marshall Field spends the day away from home it will be with this family party. Mrs. Eddy is now almost fully recovered from her recent illness. Mrs. Potter Palmer will give a family luncheon at noon today and later will go to the home of her son, Honoré Palmer, at whose home the family dinner will be given in the evening and the small grandchild's tree enjoyed by the older members of the family. Mrs. P. D. Armour has gone to Oconomowoc to be a member of Mrs. P. A. Valentine's large house party, and Mr. and Mrs. J. Ogden Armour will have their usual family dinner party and a tree for little Miss Lolita.

Because of the two recent fires in their home, which has made Christmas entertaining impossible, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Meeker will take the small daughters and son and join the family dinner party to be given by Mr. Meeker's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Walker, 1726 Prairie avenue. Mrs. Joseph Coleman is back from the sanitarium to spend Christmas at the Rush street home, and although greatly improved is still too weak for even family entertaining. Mrs. Coleman returned on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rumsey and the other members of the Rumsey family in the city will go to the family home in Lake Forest for the day. Mr. and Mrs. Harold McCormick will follow their usual plan of a Christmas tree at home and a family dinner, and Mr. and Mrs. R. Hall McCormick will entertain more than twenty of their family connections at dinner tonight with a large tree.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Chalmers will have their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Williams; their son, Thomas Chalmers, and the small 2 year old granddaughter, Joan Williams, who is to be the center of this family celebration. Mrs. Chalmers is greatly improved in health. Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Crane Jr. will give a large family dinner at 1 o'clock for the Crane-Higinbotham connections, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pope will have a dinner party of twenty at their home, 18 Lake Shore drive.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Welch of 135 East Forty-seventh street announce the engagement of their adopted daughter and niece, Miss Annie Pearl Parker Welch, daughter of Harvey Parker of Adelaide, Ontario, Canada, to Hermann Lutz of Karlsruhe, Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Herrick gave a dance at their home, 306 Schiller street, last night in honor of their daughter, Miss Margaret Herrick, who is home from school. Preceding the dance dinners were given. Mrs. Ernest Hamill, Mrs. Otto Matz, and Mrs. Theodore Sheldon being among the hostesses.

Mrs. Solomon A. Smith, 10 Astor street, will give a bridge party Monday afternoon, Jan. 6.

Miss Lobdell, 2718 Prairie avenue, will give a young people's tea on Tuesday next in honor of Miss Jessie Orton, whose engagement to Mr. Charles W. Lobdell has been announced.

Mr. and Mrs. James T. Harahan, 3356 Michigan avenue, will give a dinner on Jan. 3.

Mrs. Chauncey B. Borland, 2622 Prairie avenue, will give a luncheon for young people on Friday for her niece, Miss Margaret Frost.

Mrs. J. G. K. McClure, 1070 North Halsted street, will give a tea for her daughter, Miss Harriet McClure, and her young friends tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick F. Bullen of 2754 Sheridan road announce the engagement of their daughter, Mabel L., to Mr. Herman F. Friestedt, son of L. P. Friestedt of 170 South Central Park boulevard.

Mme. Carreño reached the city yesterday to spend the holidays with her children, who are in school in Chicago, and to get ready for the recital which she is to give in Orchestra hall under the auspices of the Service club tomorrow afternoon. Mrs. Edward Butler has purchased a box, and a large number of additional seats have been sold.

Mrs. Joseph Haven of the American consulate, Crefeld, Germany, arrived in New York on Sunday, and will come to Chicago to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barnard, 162 Thirty-sixth street.

The Chicago Blue Book, a comprehensive directory of the residences of the better known Chicago districts, has been issued. It contains the usual information concerning the city buildings and churches, and of the suburban homes.

JUVENILES GIVE MANY HINTS TO CHARLEVOIX GROWNUPS.

Twenty-five Anxious Children Celebrate Christmas Eve at Club and Parents Receive Invaluable Suggestions.

Christmas eve was celebrated by twenty-five anxious children at the Charlevoix club, Sixtieth street and Prairie avenue, last night with tales of Santa Claus and of his wonderful house of candy, a Santa Claus dance, and a Yuletide supper.

Mrs. Charles Hopper "pretended" she was a little girl, and told all about Santa, in a "Friday afternoon" recitation. Then Master Ralph Mordue recited "The Day After Christmas."

Master Ralph's moral was that the grown-ups should give books "and things like that" to children.

Every one was scared when "The Smith Mystery" was acted, but every one was happy at the end. The Misses Dorotha and Alice Hammond and Greta Pattillo were the principals in the sketch.

Duets were sung by Master Charles Well and Master Thomas Mordue, and by the Misses Virginia and Donna Noel.

Among the children present were:

Richard Stone,	Harmon Rindel,
Genevieve Simmons,	Robert Cougle,
Cecil Simmons,	Frank Larned,
Henry Sommes,	George Farmer,
Howard Spencer,	Robert Irwin,
Ralph Mordue,	Edgar Irwin,
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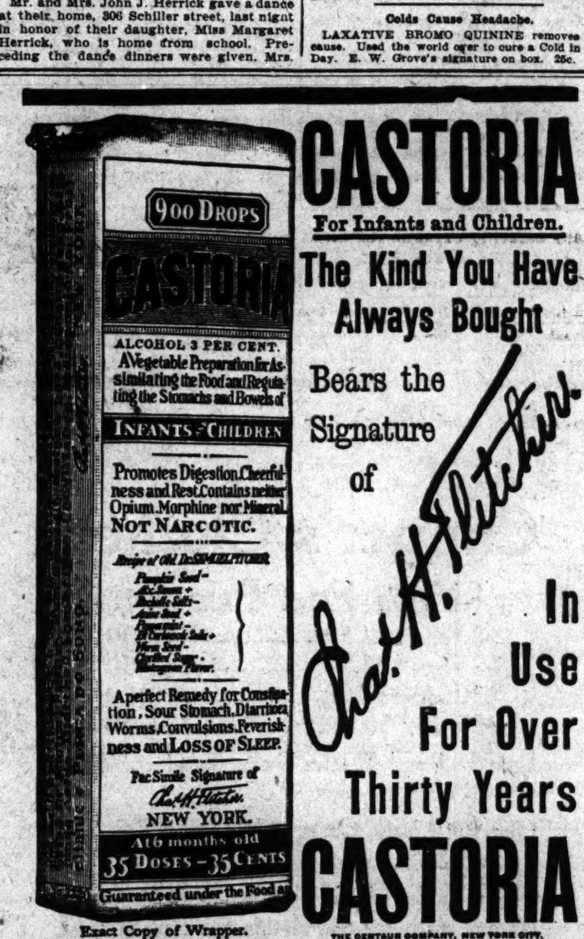

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$60 nearseal coats, box or blouse front, now at $50
$50 nearseal coats, plain or fancy lining, at $40
$65 gray krimmer coats, blouse or box, at only $50
$75 gray squirrel coats, blouse front, reduced to $50
$85 blended squirrel coats, blouse front, now $60
$100 pony skin coats, semi-fitting back, only $75
$65 black caracul coats, semi-fitting back, at $50
$90 fine quality caracul coats, now reduced to $60
$200 finest quality caracul coats, special, now $150
$125 Leipzig dyed Persian lamb coats, at $100
$175 Leipzig dyed Persian lamb coats, now at $125

All imported coats, pony skin, caracul, blended squirrel, are reduced to about half.

$60 nearseal coats, Jap. mink trimmed, now at $30
$125 dark natural mink scarfs, reduced to $100
$125 dark natural mink drop muffs, now at $100
$650 dark natural mink coat, reduced to $500
$475 blended mink coat, choice quality, at $400
$65 two-skin Hudson Bay sable scarfs, now at $50
$50 Jap. sable scarfs, in animal effect, now at $40
$30 ermine scarfs, clear white, now reduced to $20
$25 kolin sable scarfs, hanging tabs, reduced to $20
$50 blended mink scarfs, animal effect, now at $40
$90 chinchilla scarfs, throw effect, reduced to $75
$75 kolin sable scarfs, choice quality, now at $60

Underwear

January clearing

50c fancy lisle crochet vests, at 38c
1.50 heavy cotton union suits, at 95c
1.50 tights, broken lines, now at 75c
$2 fancy pure silk vests, now at 1.19
3.25 silk and wool union suits, at 2.05
75c sleeveless lisle union suits, at 45c
2.50 fine ribbed wool suits, at 1.55

Hosiery

January clearing

$2 pure thread silk hosiery, at 95c
$2 embroidered thread silk hose, 1.50
1.50 embroidered lisle hosiery, at 75c
$8 fancy French silk hosiery, now $5
$4 French silk lace hosiery, now 2.50
Men's 1.50 French lisle hose at 75c
Women's fancy 50c and 75c hosiery, 35c

Silks

A January clearance that will be remembered as the greatest ever held. Prices half and less. First floor.

75c printed radium silk foulards, 38c
65c handsome taffeta silk plaids, 38c
65c brown and navy louisine plaids, 38c
1.35 foreign faille messaline, at 50c
1.35 best polka dot foulards, now 68c
1.35 jasper stripe broche, now at 68c
1.50 exclusive novelty silk plaids, 68c
85c tartan & Scotch taffeta plaids, 50c
58c black and white shepherd checks, 38c
58c navy and brown shepherd checks, 38c
85c check & stripe shirtwaist silks, 50c
1.25 imported baronette messaline, 50c
$1 satin stripe natural pongee, at 50c
85c all-silk satin foulards, 23 in., 50c

Dress goods

Both black and colored fabrics in this great January clearing sale. Hundreds of half price offerings of the best selling lines of the year. First floor.

1.25 plain and fancy dress goods, 65c
$10 imported dress patterns, each, 4.50
All-wool dress taffetas, reduced to 35c
65c all-wool French challis, now at 33c
75c fancy silk-and-wool waistings, 50c
$2 all-wool chiffon broadcloths, 1.50
1.25 all-wool shadow plaid taffetas, 75c
4.50 white polar bear coating, at 1.95
2.50 white chinchilla coating, at 1.50
65c cream English mohair, reduced, 48c
$1 cream English Sicilian, now at 69c
1.35 herringbone striped suitings, 95c
$1 and 1.25 black dress goods, now 65c
$2 embroidered black voiles, now 1.25

Every suit, coat *and* skirt, without a single exception, radically reduced in price

The January clearing sale in the suit and coat section scales prices down to the lowest point ever recorded. Former reductions are taken as a basis for still further price cutting, bringing high-class suits, coats and skirts for women and misses to the price level of the most commonplace garments. It's a sweeping clearance, and affects every garment in stock, without a single exception. The posted shopper, captivated by the beauty of fabrics and workmanship, and knowing that whatever comes from Mandel's bears the seal of style exclusiveness, will regard this clearing sale as an opportunity that should not be overlooked. You can be sure of securing a good fit and a becoming style in this vast collection.

Out of the thousands of garments from which you may choose, we can cite only a fraction of the wonderful values embraced in this offering.

January Clearing fashionable cloth coats and capes

16.50 black broadcloth coats, 50 inch length, satin lined throughout, special, $10
$20 black kersey coats, 50 inch length; full ripple back models, at this sale, 12.50
$25 coats of attractive new mixtures, 50 inch length, box models, special, at 9.75
$25 broadcloth and kersey coats in evening and street shades, a bargain, at 14.75
$35 silk or satin rubber automobile coats, plain and fancy colors, special, at 14.75
$50 chiffon broadcloth coats, 50 inch length, street and evening shades, only $30
$400 coats—choice of any original model imported coats at $175

Clearing of costumes, princess and jumper dresses

$30 jumper dresses of chiffon broadcloth, wide range of colors, clearing sale price, 14.75.
$35 princess and jumper dresses of broadcloth and panama, reduced to only 14.75.
$35 princess dresses of imported broadcloth, very attractively trimmed, selling at 16.75.
$45 demi-costumes of French voile over taffeta silk; large range of colors, at $25.
$50 demi-costumes of rich messaline and taffeta silk, reduced for clearing sale to $25.
$50 princess costumes of rich imported velvet, street shades, specially priced at $35.
$60 silk crepe de chine costumes, range of new evening shades, tomorrow at only $35.
$60 demi-costumes and princess dresses of French voile and velvets, clearing price, $35.
$200 costumes—choice of any in the section, regardless of former price, at $75

The January clearing caracul fur cloth coats

12.50 caracul fur cloth jackets, hip length model, richly lined, rare value at this price, $8.
16.50 jackets of rich luster caracul fur cloth, several styles, specially priced for this sale, 7.90.
22.50 imported caracul fur cloth jackets, choice of 10 styles, exceptional bargains, 9.75.
$40 caracul fur cloth jackets, short and medium lengths, priced for clearance at only 19.75.
$50 imported caracul fur cloth coats, long and short lengths, specially priced at only $25.
$100 long caracul fur cloth coats, full ripple back model, exceptional value at price, $35.

January clearing of exclusive evening coats

$25 evening coats of imported broadcloth, satin lined throughout, rare value at only 9.75.
$35 evening coats of imported broadcloth, richly silk lined, specially priced at only 18.50.
$25 long military capes of chiffon broadcloth in evening shades, rare value, at 9.75

The January clearing dress and walking skirts

7.50 walking skirts of plain panamas and cheviots, reduced for immediate clearance to 3.75.
$10 walking skirts of English panamas and fancy mixtures, specially priced at only $5.
$10 taffeta silk walking skirts, full plaited models, broken lots, rare bargains at $5.
12.50 French voile dress skirts, unlined, trimmed with silk folds, specially priced at 6.75.
$15 walking skirts, of fancy mannish cloths, plaited or flare models, at 7.50.
16.50 French voile dress skirts with taffeta silk drop skirts, reduced to $10.

The January clearing misses' and girls' coats

$10 full length school coats, made of fancy mixtures, reduced for clearance to only $5.
12.50 stormproof coats for girls; loose box styles, heavy cheviots, special, at only 6.75
$20 extra heavy, full length cheviot coats for misses, reduced for this sale only to $10.
18.50 school coats for girls, full length, plain cheviots and fancies, special at $10.
$15 mixture coats for misses, English box styles, of mixtures, rare value at 7.50.

January clearing misses' and children's suits

$15 fancy stripe junior suits in Prince Chap models, reduced to the special price of 8.75.
$25 Prince Chap junior suits of fancy stripes and checks, special, at only 14.75.
16.50 jumper dresses for misses and juniors; plain panamas; special at 9.75.
6.50 one-piece school dresses for girls; plain mohairs; broken lots, special, 3.75.
$10 school dresses for girls, plain panamas and fancy checks, reduced to only $5.
$20 school dresses of fancy plaids, checks and plain panamas, rare value at $10.

The January clearing tailor made suits

$20 tailormade suits of plain broadcloth and fancy mixtures, at this sale only 9.75
$30 tailormade suits, several styles to select from; broken lot, rare value at 14.75
$40 smartly tailored suits of broadcloth and mannish materials, special at 19.75
$45 rich chiffon broadcloth and fancy mixture suits, specially reduced to only $25
$50 velvet suits, range of styles and colors; beautifully elaborated, reduced to $35
$65 tailormade suits of fine imported broadcloth and mannish stripes, at only $35
$150 tailormade suits—your choice of any suit in the section at only $50

Rugs

Fifth floor.

The January clearance applies to both Oriental and domestic grades. Most sweeping clearance of the year. Nothing excepted from the reductions.

27.50 body Brussels rugs, 8.3x10.6, $20
$30 body Brussels rugs, 9x12 feet, 22.50
$18 Roxbury Brussels rugs, 7x9 feet, 9.85
$18 Roxbury Brus'ls rugs, 8.3x10.6, 15.25
$20 Roxbury Brussels rugs, 9x12, 16.75
32.50 Royal Wilton rugs, 6.3x10.6, 24.75
37.50 Royal Wilton rugs, 9x12 ft., 27.75
$30 best seamless velvets, 9x12, 23.75
$18 Beauvais Axminister, 6x9, 15.75
$65 Turkish Ghiordes, now at $43
$12 Shirvan & Daghestan rugs, 5.75
$8 Anatolian rugs, 1.6x3.0 ft., at 3.25
$40 Kazaks, Cabistans & Persians, 26.75
$50 Soumac Cashmere rugs, 6.6x9.6, $29
$50 Khiva & Afghan rugs, 5.6x8.3, 35.75
$130 Turkish Ghiordes, 9.10x11.2, $65
$175 Turkish Ghiordes, 10.4x14.1, $85
$110 Turkish Ghiordes, 8.2x10.0, $55

Handkerchiefs

First floor.

January clearance bargains that thousands will avail themselves of. All handkerchiefs soiled or mussed in counter handling or display

15c and 20c embroidered handkerchiefs, at 11c
25c and 35c embroidered handkerchiefs, at 18c
15c and 20c lace trimmed handkerchiefs, at 11c
Men's 20c linen initial handkerchiefs, at only 18c
Men's 25c and 35c Jap silk handkerchiefs, at 18c
Men's 25c and 35c odd initial silk, reduced to 18c
50c lace trimmed and embroidered, now at 25c
75c lace trimmed and embroidered, reduced to 50c
Fancy $1 handkerchiefs, very fine, now at 65c
25c and 35c embroidered linen handkerchiefs, 18c
Children's 10c and 15c handkerchiefs, now at 8c
Women's 15c cross bar initial, specially priced, 8c
20c cross bar lace trimmed handkerchiefs, at 11c
Men's 65c colored silk handkerchiefs, now at 35c
Men's 50c handkerchiefs, specially reduced to 35c
Women's 25c and 35c novelty handkerchiefs, at 15c
Men's 25c and 35c linen handkerchiefs, now 18c
Men's 35c initial linen handkerchiefs, reduced to 25c
Real lace handkerchiefs, slightly soiled, to close at one-third and one-half off regular prices

China

Fourth floor.

Cut glass: Marbles: One of the greatest January clearing attractions is an offer of 20% off our entire stock marble statuary—busts, etc.

$5 cut glass mayonnaise dish & tray, 3.75
$5 cut glass flared salad bowls, at $3
1.75 cut glass deep jelly dish, at 1.35
7.50 American cut glass 8-in. bowls, $5
Imported bronze figures, 21-in. high, 3.75
$10 cut glass high fruit bowls, at $7
50c imported almond dishes, now at 25c
$1 flower holders, metal frame, at 50c
$1 bon bon dishes with spoons, now 50c
$1 decorated china 3-piece tea sets, 50c
$2 decorated china rail plates, at $1
$1 decorated teacups & saucers, at 50c
$1 decorated china chocolate pots, 50c
10c individual china almond dishes, 5c
$2 mayonnaise dishes with plate, at $1
$1 decorated china salad bowls at 65c
$3 Vienna plates, head decoration, at $2
1.50 Japanese vases, 12 inches high, $1

Beds, bed'g

January clearing

38.00 brass beds, reduced to 22.50
$40 brass beds now reduced to $25
$45 brass beds now reduced to $30
$50 brass beds now reduced to $35
Hair top box springs, special at $16
40-lb. guaranteed hair mattress, 13.75
45-lb. guaranteed felt mattress, at $6
Live goose pillows, 21x27, 3.25 pair
Best woven wire springs, special, $4

Shoes, etc.

January clearing

1.25 to $2 felt & crochet slippers, 75c
Boys' 1.25 and 1.50 house slippers, 90c
Women's $2 and 2.50 slippers, at 1.20
Women's $4 to $6 dress slippers, 2.65
Women's $3 to $4 shoes, reduced, 2.45
$4 and $5 shoes, now reduced to 2.95
$5 and $6 shoes, now reduced to 3.85
Bath slippers, odd and soiled lots, 35c
25c bed socks, all colors and sizes, 10c

Kimonos, etc.

January clearing

1.95 long flannelette kimonos, several good styles, Persian and figured designs, reduced to only $1.
2.50 dressing sacques, 3 pretty styles, with scalloped edge or satin border, specially reduced to 1.35.
All-wool elderdown bath robes, trimmed with satin binding and girdle, for clearance, at 3.95.
Japanese silk dressing sacques; shirred yokes trimmed with satin ribbon. Reduced to 2.95

Silk petticoats

January clearing

Taffeta silk petticoats, deep shirred sectional flounce; black and colors. Rare value at 3.95.
Silk petticoats in several splendid styles, all good colors and black, specially priced for this sale, $5.
Two splendid styles in silk petticoats, at 5.95.
Taffeta silk petticoats of splendid quality, $10.
2.25 petticoats of imitation heatherbloom, 1.25.

Infants' wear

Jan'y sale

50c brownie bearskin caps, now 38c
$1 bearskin poke bonnets, now 50c
6.50 colored cloth coats, now at 4.95
1.95 baby waist skirts, soiled, at 95c
$1 waist and Empire dresses, at 50c
Children's 2.95 guimpes, now at 1.50
Children's 2.95 flannel skirts, at 1.50
Children's 58c gingham aprons, 45c
Babies' 1.50 quilted wrappers, at 95c

Corsets

January clearing

Discontinued models in whaleboned corsets, long and medium, $6 & $8 val., 2.95
$5 batiste corsets in dainty colors, high bust; reduced for clearance to 2.25.
Odds and ends of Fasso corsets, slightly soiled and discontinued lines, at 4.50
Odd $10 French imported corset, 2.45
Ends $10 lines in batiste corsets, $5
Ends $10 lines in dainty brocades, $5

Curtains

Fourth floor.

Not the least of the bargains in the January clearing are curtains, portieres, couch covers, etc. Savings of near half.

4.25 hand made Cluny curtains, at 2.95
$4 Irish point lace curtains, at 2.45
3.75 bonne femme curtains, now at 1.35
9.50 bonne femme curtains, now at 4.95
4.25 renaissance lace curtains, at 2.85
7.50 renaissance lace curtains, at 4.85
$12 renaissance lace curtains, at 7.85
14.50 Irish point curtains, at 9.85
$20 renaissance lace curtains, at 13.85
$25 Saxony Brussels curtains, at 17.85
4.50 bonne femme curtains, at only 2.35
2.75 grenadine curtains, now at 1.65
7.50 Irish point curtains, priced at 5.95
17.50 Saxony and Swiss Brussels, 11.85
4.50 ruffled bed sets, now at only 2.95
Ruffled renaissance bed sets, at 5.85
50c curtain nets, reduced to, yd., 25c
30c curtain nets and muslins, yard, 15c
50c English floral cretonnes, now at 25c
$5 tapestry portieres, now pair 3.65
$10 tapestry & armure portieres, 5.75
Oriental tapestry couch covers, 1.35
$6 heavy tapestry couch covers, 3.95
$3 hand made panels, priced now 1.65
$3 ruffled net curtains, now at 1.85
1.75 ruffled muslin curtains, now at 1.10

Economy basement

The January clearing sale in the basement is of special importance from a saving standpoint.

Women's 12½c fast black hosiery, reduced to 10c
Women's 35c white fleeced vests and drawers, 29c
Boys' $5 and $6 Russian and sailor suits, now 2.55
Boys' $3 and $4 long overcoats, 3 to 15 years, 2.55
One-half doz. table napkins, reduced from $1 to 62c
One-half dozen table napkins, formerly 1.50, now 79c
2.50 hemstitched cloths, size 8x10 inch, at 1.85
85c openwork dresser scarfs, size 18x45, now 50c
Openwork lunch cloths, size 30x30 inches, at 50c
40c centerpieces, size 18x18 inches, reduced to 25c
Rogers' fancy teaspoons, set of six, special, at 65c
Rogers' fancy dessert spoons, set of six, now at $1
Women's $10 tailor-made suits, priced at only $5
Up to $1 lawn and batiste waists, special at 38c
Men's and women's extra fine umbrellas, now 95c
$3 umbrellas in men's and women's styles, at $2
Pretty gold plated bracelets, reduced to only 69c
50c suitings 38 inches wide, special, per yard, at 28c
50c dress silks, rare value at this price, yard at 33c
Men's 50c silk four-in-hand ties, special, at 25c
Cambric and nainsook corset covers, drawers, 25c
Files, cuticle knives, paper cutters, reduced to 10c

Furniture

8th and 7th floors.

Greatest January sale ever held in the furniture section. Couches, three-piece parlor suits, library tables, etc.

$49 solid mahogany dresser, at $35
$54 mahogany princess dresser, 43.20
$19 handsome mahogany bookcase, 13.75
39.50 bird's eye maple dresser, at $30
$25 golden oak princess dresser, 19.75
$25 golden oak chiffonier to match, 19.75
$25 bird's eye maple dressing table, 19.75
$31 weathered oak cabinet, special, $20
49.50 early English buffet, now at 39.75
$65 mission sideboard with cabinet, $52
$27 fumed oak china closet, now at 21.50
$59 early English sideboard, now $45
42.50 comb. buffet & china closet, $30
$75 golden oak china cabinet, 58.75
47.50 golden oak dining table, now $38
6.75 quarter-sawed oak dining chairs, 4.75
$35 solid mahogany writing desk, 26.50
45.75 solid mahogany parlor table, 31.50
$9 fancy mahogany parlor table, 6.75
$40 massive mahogany library table, $27
59.50 three-piece parlor suit, now 47.50
38.50 mahogany finish divan, now at $25
$75 leather couch, mahogany frame, 57.50
$27 solid mahogany colonial rocker, $20
$11 high back rocker, leather seat, 7.75

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SOCIETY MEETINGS.

BLAIR LODGE NO. 393, A. F. & A. M., 78 Monroe-st.—Emergent communication Thursday, Dec. 26, 12 noon, to attend the funeral services of our deceased brother, M. H. Buzzell. Carriages to Rosehill cemetery. Members please attend.
J. P. DIXON, W. M.
W. E. ANDERSON, Secretary.

MAKE FILIPINOS CONTENTED.

Secretary Taft says that in his judgment the Filipinos will not be qualified for self-government for a generation. Yet there are a number of them who would like immediate independence. The men who are of this way of thinking elected a majority of the members of the Philippine assembly. Their success, however, was due in part to a campaign of deceit. They made many of the voters believe that immediate independence could be had if a majority of those elected to the assembly were for it.

The secretary of war believes that after the next election the so-called progressive party, which would have the people qualify for independence before claiming it, will be in the majority. This is a reasonable presumption. The falsity of the statements of the immediate independence leaders has been revealed. Furthermore, American ideas and policies are gaining in favor. There is increasing prosperity, and that means decreasing discontent and a growing inclination to let well enough alone.

It is the manifest duty of the United States to do all it can to foster that inclination. One of the means to that end is to make the Filipinos still more prosperous. That is why Secretary Taft says he intends to urge congress to reduce the tariff on their products. The American officials are doing all in their power to promote the well being of the people they have been sent to govern. Congress should cooperate with them. It should be more than willing to assist in making the Filipinos contented and thus putting an end to the "immediate independence" agitation.

An immediate reduction of the sugar and tobacco duties will make the task of governing the Philippines a much easier one.

PLAIN ADVICE TO PATROLMEN.

Assistant Chief Schuettler of the police department is a philosopher. Every officer who reads and takes to heart his rules of advice and instruction, as given the 194 new policemen sworn in on Monday last, will become a better man and a more efficient guardian of the peace. What Mr. Schuettler said might well become fixed commandments for every policeman in the country.

He told the new patrolmen to make honesty, sobriety, and courage their watchwords. He needn't have gone any further than that. No honest man was ever a coward and sober people rarely do a wrong. The three traits—honesty, sobriety, and courage—make of men idols of the American citizen.

Mr. Schuettler warned his recruits against the reckless use of six shooters. The advice is good. The young man, clothed in the authority of the law, pistol in belt, and on his first beat, often is inclined to go to extremes. He has not the cool judgment of his older brother on whom the storms have visited, whose star has been the shining mark for the ruffian's weapon. The seasoned policeman shoots only when he must. Life to him is precious, and he seeks to protect it in others as well as for himself. Chicago has many of this kind.

"Quit drinking," says Schuettler. There he hit the nail squarely on the head. The saloon habitué is the one who disgraces his uniform, wrecks his future, invites the companionship of criminals. The best policemen are those whose strongest beverage is buttermilk. Those who look upon the cup that is red sooner or later go straight up in the air and fall with shuddering thuds. To visit saloons, on or off duty, encourages the barkeeper and the proprietor to violations of the law.

"Don't go into debt" is another of the assistant chief's recommendations. The civilian as well as the officer might well obey the advice. Debts make cowards: extravagance begets carelessness of pledges made—debt is the first step towards making of men liars and swindlers. The policeman who is frugal, who has a speaking acquaintance at savings banks, who keeps away from the loan sharks, is the one who loves his family, who obeys the law, who reflects credit on his department. You won't hear of many holdups and porch climbing in his territory, either.

Schuettler's rules to the new policemen should be read at roll call to the old as well as the young members of the department once or twice a week. They are healthy.

THE AMERICAN HEART.

The physicians of Chicago and many other American cities say that deaths from heart disease are increasing out of all proportion to the growth in population. They lay it to the intensity of modern business life; to the tendency of men to overdo in their work and their play and to too much eating and drinking. Late suppers, coffee, tobacco, automobile rides are also condemned as enemies of the heart and shorteners of life.

When the doctors are asked if anything can be done to lessen the mortality from heart disease they have a ready answer. It is that if people will return to "the simple life" all will be well. But they add sadly that that is advice men will not or cannot take. They gave the same advice a few years ago when they were telling Americans that they were living under too great stress and strain and would all be nervously prostrated if they did not slacken their pace. The advice was not taken then, and similar advice will not be taken now. An individual here and there may change his ways, but the community as a whole will go on at the old rate of speed.

No doubt the figures giving the deaths from heart disease in Chicago and other cities are correct, but they would be more instructive if one knew how many of the decedents were men who have been leading the strenuous business life which is said to be so hard on the heart and how many of them were day laborers who did not earn enough to be addicted to persistent overeating.

One would like to know whether there has been any increase in the death rate from heart disease among those who come nearest to living "the simple life"—the men and women on the farms. If so, city folks would not better themselves much if they were to take the advice the physicians give them free of charge.

The subject is an interesting and also a painful one. It ought not to have been sprung upon the public on the eve of the holidays when nobody wishes to have his pleasure marred by unpleasant sights or thoughts. A better time could have been found to prescribe "the simple life." There are a great many who lead it—some of them unwillingly. When the doctors return to the discussion of the question perhaps they will state how many of those who lead that kind of life die of heart disease.

WHO FOUND JOHNSON?

Col. Charles H. Grasty, editor of the Baltimore News, having written in his newspaper that Col. Henry Watterson, editor of the Courier-Journal, was responsible for the discovery of Col. John A. Johnson, governor of Minnesota, has kindled the ire and anger of that versatile palmetto editor, Col. William A. Hemphill of the Charleston News and Courier. Col. Hemphill allows that he is the man who, on a cloudy day for the democracy, lifted a veil and lo! there stood Johnson.

Col. Hemphill relates that way back yonder, soon after the sage of Esopus had quit politics, he scanned certain election returns and, on reading them, thought long and seriously. He telegraphed Minnesota and got information about the newly elected governor. Then he went to his office and let his moving finger write. He said things about Johnson.

Some few months ago the country was startled by editorials in Col. Watterson's inimitable palladium of liberty announcing that a real, up to date, unafraid, militant democrat had been found. He could sweep the country. His aim was true, his heart bold. He could shoot the heart out of the worst political storm that ever was brewed. His name, after weeks of concealment on the part of the Star Eyed Goddess, was Johnson. People read of Col. Johnson and marveled much. Col. Watterson was a real Columbus at last.

But along comes the South Carolina editor who sweeps the sails from the Kentuckian's ships. He points out that he found Johnson when that individual was in his political swaddling clothes, when the bib was white around his neck, and the rattles and toys scattered promiscuously over the floor. Col. Hemphill resents the claim that he was not the first wet nurse to this northwestern prodigy. Col. Hemphill is going to make Johnson president, too, he declares, after which he will sit at the first table while the Kentucky colonel waits until the quality company has been served.

Glorious and great be these days of discovery and prophecy!

THE HOLIDAY CRIMINAL.

There is a disturbing increase in the number of robberies of various kinds. Shoplifters are busy in the crowded stores. Burglars are breaking into homes. Hold-up men are active on the streets and in saloons. Highwaymen of bolder sort are taking desperate chances in daring robberies in the heart of the loop. The news items each day have about them a suggestion of a crime wave.

A little thought, however, explains these conditions without the necessity of the supposition that a band of crooks from the outside has taken possession of the city. The shoplifters ply their profession with comparative ease in the rush of holiday trade. The stores are crowded with people all day long. Many new and inexperienced clerks are employed who have not learned how to watch their counters or to detect suspicious characters among their would-be customers. The tempting display of thousands of articles within easy reach adds to the difficulty of the situation. The wonder is that more things are not stolen rather than that occasional arrests are made of those who make the holiday season their most profitable time for ill gotten gain.

The pushing crowds furnish the pickpocket with his easy working field. The package laden women and children with swinging pocketbooks are everywhere. Standing room, even, is at a premium in the cars which carry the shoppers home. The skilled thief finds it an easy matter to pick up many things and make his escape without attracting attention to his unlawful work.

The same conditions go far toward explaining the numerous thefts from express and delivery wagons. The more the streets are thronged the less the individual observes what is going on about him. It is the crowd that makes it reasonably safe for a thief to steal from an unguarded wagon. It is the known fact that people are away from home to shop in the stores or to attend some one of the bazaars or entertainments, which are multiplied many times during December, that makes the burglarizing of homes an easy thing.

The police can accomplish a good deal by special vigilance. But their attention often is distracted by the necessity of protecting the throngs on the street so that the thief easily escapes them. Many times 194 new men might be added to the force without giving much relief. In the long run it comes back to the individual citizen. At the time when extra precautions should be taken by every one the tendency is in exactly the opposite direction. There are some thefts which occur despite exceptional safeguards. But the great majority can be traced to the carelessness of individuals. Those who follow stealing as a means of livelihood are apt to be good judges of human nature. Because of this they find their harvest time when the crowds are everywhere.

KEEP FAITH WITH PASSENGERS.

The men who manage the elevated roads have told the committee on local transportation that they intend to put conspicuous signs on their cars so that the man who is looking for a particular train will know it when it comes along. When that shall have been done the person who takes the wrong train will have only himself to blame.

Another promise should have been made the committee. It is that, save in exceptional cases, a train shall go as far as the sign on it leads passengers to believe they will be carried. Correspondents of THE TRIBUNE complain that they have boarded trains at the eastern terminus of the Kenwood branch of the Alley L and that, although the signs read "The Loop," they were unloaded at Congress street and notified that if they wished to go farther they must wait and take another train.

People who come downtown in the morning generally allow themselves only enough time to reach their stores or offices so as just not to be late. Their schedules are disarranged if they have to walk an unexpected quarter or half mile or to wait for the next train. Naturally they object, and they have a right to object, when the company has broken its distinct promise to carry them to a particular point in a particular car.

Accidents happen sometimes which make it impossible to keep such a promise. If a surface or an elevated road is blocked and the movement of trains delayed it may be necessary to turn back some of them before they have reached their journey's end. In such a case no passenger can with reason find fault with the company, nor will he complain if he is told why it cannot live up to its contract with him.

Every effort should be made by the men who operate elevated and surface roads to keep faith with passengers. Every car should have a conspicuous sign setting forth its destination, and it should run as far as the sign says it is going.

CONSIDER it said.

BUT remember the doctor's advice.

DON'T eat—or drink—too much today.

OR it will be anything but merry next day.

THOSE misfits can be exchanged next week, you know.

A MERRY Christmas to New York City, notwithstanding the fact that all the trouble started there.

HAVE you heard of the bedless bedroom? You sleep on a shelf that is folded into the wall when not in use. Wonderfully convenient for flats in those elegant apartment houses.

ADMIRAL BOB EVANS and his fleet are at Port of Spain, a city which is remarkable for not being at all a port of Spain.

VIEWED as a possible presidential candidate, Gov. Johnson of Minnesota is not to be sneezed at. Think of the 30,000 Johnsons in Chicago alone.

TRY to think charitably of the clearing house check. It deserves a large share of the credit for the merriness of this Christmas.

ONE more week for Georgia—and then the water wagon.

IN A MINOR KEY.

Letters to Santa Claus.

URGENT CASE.

Dear Santa Claus—In the name of all the other saints, please give me a solution of the elevated loop problem! Your old friend,
MISS CHICAGO.

ANOTHER EARNEST SOUL.

Dear Santa—It isn't much that I ask, but I want it badly. Please give me a job.
ARCHIE FOOTLIGHTS, Comedian.

FROM A CHRONIC SUFFERER.

Santa Claus, Esq.—Dear Sir—I don't suppose it's any use to ask it, but I would like a few dividends on my Union Traction stock. Yours, etc.,
VICTIM.

HIS MODEST REQUEST.

To his gracious and venerable saintship, Santa Claus—My honored friend—Pardon the liberty I take of addressing you, but have you such a thing in your stock as a Gubernatorial Nomination to bestow upon some fortunate if not altogether deserving individual? If so, and if you are not under promise, express or implied, to confer it upon somebody else, or have not predetermined in your own mind to bestow it elsewhere, and have not received a request for the same from some person of more commanding merit—in short, if you are perfectly free to make anybody the recipient of that Nomination without exposing yourself to the charge of unjust favoritism, I venture with some hesitation, and, I trust, becoming modesty, to ask that it be conferred upon me.

With renewed assurances of my most distinguished consideration and highest personal respect, I beg to subscribe myself your most obedient servant,
J. HAM LEWISTON.

ONE DESPAIRING CRY.

Old Santa Claus—Some day when you can get around to it and haven't anything else to do, you might make us a present of a sewer system. Not this Christmas. Some other Christmas. Bless your leathery old hide, we ain't in any hurry! O, no! Of course not!
GAGE PARK.

WANTS ONLY ONE THING.

Friend Claus—The only thing I want is one more chance at Hairyhand. Yours in haste,
STUYVESANT WHALE.

POOR CHILD.

Dear Santa Claus—All I want is a rest. Your friend,
DEPARTMENT STORE GIRL.
P. S.—I've just heard that I'm going to get it, along with 400 other girls.

NOT HARD TO SUIT.

Dear Mr. S. Claus—I think I'd like a mild winter.
LONNY, the Newsman.

HOPE LONG DEFERRED.

Uncle Santa—For heaven's sake, give us paved streets! We've got our sewers. Agonizingly,
WINDSOR PARK.

SARCASTIC.

Dear S. C.—We should like to have our express trains continued after the holiday rush is over. Also—but what's the use?
WILSON AVENUE.

INDEPENDENT.

Santy klaws—never you mind wot I want. Ile get it ol rite.
HOLDUP MAN.
C. W. T.

MARQUISE DE FONTENOY.

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KING FREDERICK AUGUSTUS has issued orders at Dresden that the youngest princess of his house, who has hitherto been known by the name of Pia Monica, should henceforth be styled Anna, princess of Saxony.

His decree thus definitely establishes her status, concerning which there had always been some doubt. There have been other children of royal mothers whose moral shortcomings and frailties had furnished grounds for questioning the paternity of the youngsters, notably in the sovereign house of Hesse.

But this is the first instance, so far as I can recall, of a child born to a royal mother out of wedlock—namely, after her marriage had been sundered by divorce—being thus recognized as a member of a reigning family.

Princess Louise of Tuscany, ex-crown princess of Saxony and ex-archduchess of Austria, eloped from Dresden with her boy's tutor, Prof. Giron, in the fall of 1902. The divorce was pronounced by the Supreme court of Saxony at Dresden on Feb. 11, 1903, and little Princess Anna was born in the following May under the roof of her grandparents, the grand duke and grand duchess of Tuscany, at Lindau, on the shores of Lake Constance.

The king might therefore well have repudiated the child and contented himself with conferring upon it some title of nobility, such as that of baroness or countess.

Instead of this he has, with the generosity that has characterized his attitude throughout the entire course of his domestic troubles, recognized the child as his own, and invested her with all the rights, prerogatives, and prestige of a princess of the blood.

His behavior in the matter contrasts favorably with that of King Louis Bonaparte of Holland, who was never tired of repudiating his paternity of that son of his wife, Queen Hortense, who subsequently ascended the throne of France as Napoleon III., and with the conduct of the Grand Duke Louis II. of Hesse, who declined even to meet his wife's youngest daughter, much less receive her at the court of Darmstadt, until, unbeknown to him, she had captured the heart and the hand of the heir to one of the greatest thrones of the old world—namely, that of Russia.

Freemasons lose an enthusiastic member of their craft in the death of King Oscar, who had belonged to the brotherhood from the time of his attaining manhood, and who was the grand master of the order in his dominions.

It was he, by the bye, who initiated King Edward, then prince of Wales, as a freemason in 1868, the ceremony taking place at Stockholm. All King Oscar's sons are masons, though none of them has been to such an extent identified with the order or has taken so active a part in its affairs as himself.

I may say here that the objection of the papacy to the election of the Oxford graduate and naturalized Italian citizen, Ernest Nathan, to the office of mayor of Rome is not because he is a professing Jew, but because he has been grand master of the freemasons of Italy.

In Italy, as in France, the craft has devoted more attention to politics than to charity, and has been a revolutionary rather than a benevolent association. Moreover, it has taken the lead in the warfare upon the Roman Catholic church in Italy as well as in France, is largely responsible for the conflict between church and state in the latter country, and for the abolition of the temporal sovereignty of the papacy in Italy.

Finally, both the Italian and the French lodges have identified themselves to a great extent with atheism, by abjuring the "Great Architect" to whom all orthodox freemasons appeal. It is for this reason that British, German, Scandinavian, and, I believe, American lodges are not permitted to hold any masonic intercourse with those of France and Italy.

Not that Ernest Nathan is an atheist—for, as I have mentioned above, he is a professing Jew—is the objection to his election so strong. The members of his faith have always been favored at the vatican. During the reign of Gregory XVI. the Rothschilds were held in the highest honors at the vatican, their financial advice and assistance proving of the utmost importance to the papacy.

The Jew Samuel Alatri played an even still more providential rôle during the reign of Pius IX., who, during a communal election, gave all the weight of his influence in favor of Alatri's candidature on the ground that, in spite of his being a Jew, he was "the most Christian of all the candidates."

The present pope's intimate friendship with the Deputy Romanin Jacur, a universally respected Jewish citizen of Venice, is well known; while it may be recalled that Leo XIII., in acknowledging the telegraphic message received from the anti-Semitic mayor of Vienna, Dr. Lueger, when presiding at a Catholic congress in the Austrian capital, stated he had received with profound satisfaction the good wishes of the congress and of its president for the reëstablishment of the temporal power of the papacy, but that he deplored and strongly disapproved Dr. Lueger's agitation against the Jews, which he regarded as calculated to bring about what he was pleased to describe as "a fratricidal war."

The first member of the Jewish race who ever obtained a European title of nobility received it at the hands of a pope—namely, Leo XI.—who in 1116 raised to the patriciate a Jew of the name of Perleoni.

The latter at the time of his death filled the office of prefect of Rome while still a professing Jew, a dignity which may be regarded as the medieval counterpart of that now filled by his coreligionist, Ernest Nathan.

One of Perleoni's sons, who had become converted to the Roman Catholic church, ascended the papal throne toward the middle of the twelfth century under the title of Anacletus II., while a daughter of old Perleoni, also a convert, married King Roger of Sicily, to whom almost every one of the now reigning houses of Europe traces its ancestry.

The kaiser and his government are being freely abused for their alleged oppressive treatment of the Poles in the eastern portion of the kingdom. But those who are disposed to tax the emperor with harshness have no conception of the conduct on the part of the Poles which has called forth and provoked the severity of the Prussian authorities.

The Polish population, occupying a province of the kingdom which has often been described as the most vulnerable point of the defenses of the German empire in the event of a war with Russia, have all along treated their German fellow-citizens as foes.

Should a Prussian country gentleman in the province of Posen pay a visit to a Polish neighbor, the latter, while he might receive him or shut the door in his face, would never dream of returning the call.

If Prussian officers are quartered in the house of a Pole during the military maneuvers the ladies would not think for a moment of appearing at dinner, while the master of the house, although providing for the wants of his unwelcome guests, would, in nine cases out of ten, keep out of sight.

In fact, everything German is boycotted in the most relentless fashion by the Poles; Polish tradesmen refusing to serve German customers, Polish physicians and lawyers declining to take German cases, and Polish working classes refusing to work for German employers.

What the Poles expect to obtain by this it is impossible to say. Their national dream of the restoration of the kingdom of Poland as an independent state upon the map of Europe is, of course, preposterous to any sensible observer of political conditions.

All that they have accomplished so far by their boycott is to provoke repressive measures on the part of the Prussian authorities and the forfeiture of all the extraordinary favors which they formerly enjoyed.

Indeed, throughout the reign of old Emperor William and during the first half of the reign of the present kaiser, the manner in which the Poles, both high and low, were favored by court and government at the expense of the remaining provinces of Prussia excited a good deal of jealousy, of indignation, and even of protest, the late Prince Bismarck being especially bitter in his denunciation and condemnation of the partiality with which the Poles were treated.

AMONG THE NEW BOOKS.

The American girl of L. T. Meade's "A GIRL FROM AMERICA" (Dutton), who goes to England and cries to her English friends to lighten her darkness and teach her the beautiful manners of all English girls, is not the wholesome girl we meet in the street on her way to school, and whom we consider as typical, nor is she the girl the most of us know in our homes. We cannot deny that such specimens as this are to be found, but more likely among those sojourning in England than among those that stay at home to "learn their manners." Therefore it is not to be supposed that the book will find many enthusiastic readers among American girls. Nor is there anything to the story, save how two English girls are scandalized and the patience of their prim governess tried by the girl who insists upon having chocolate, sirup and hot cakes, and candy for breakfast. Even if a well bred governess does not direct the movements of most of our girls, they do not all insist upon wearing sea foam dresses or behaving so thoughtlessly as herein depicted. This is impossible!

It seems to have been taken for granted that those who have followed the chronicles of "THE LITTLE COLONEL," as recorded by Annie Fellows Johnston, will be interested in her romance even if they are of the age to digest and enjoy good fiction. Most of them have already projected themselves into the realms of mature novels, and so "THE LITTLE COLONEL'S KNIGHT COMES RIDING" (Page), for all its pretty story, its gayety, and vivaciousness, will not meet their requirements. The story of those half dozen Kentucky girls who have finished their boarding school education and trouble themselves with nothing serious will not appeal to those older girls who have already felt the quickening of ambitions. As far as younger readers are concerned, there is too much that is beyond them. In short, it is always to be regretted that when a series of books has been deservedly popular some discretion is not exercised in regard to its discontinuance.

"LITTLE TRAVELERS AROUND THE WORLD" (Barnes) is an example of a poor use of a good idea. The young reader is taken around the world on an itinerary that might be improved upon and shown some of the principal industries of the different peoples, some of their characteristics, their manner of life, and their pastimes. There is room for large improvement in the reading matter, but the chief fault will be found with the illustrations, which, in a book for young readers, should be of almost as much concern as the text. This book is provided with a number of full page pictures, many of them colored, but not in a way to cultivate a child's sense of beauty; and many line drawings are scattered over the pages, but both are faulty in their drawing and in some cases do not fit into the text. G. Bonawits and Helen Coleman are the authors.

Many of the books in Macaulay's library possess an interest and value because of the notes which he wrote in the margins. Often these take the form of a running commentary on a book, which, like Miss Seward's letters, has no interest for us save as they show the activity of the reader's mind or they constitute a small mass of criticism and appreciation on Shakspeare, or the Greek and Latin classics. Wherever they are they show the acumen and wide knowledge which we have long associated with Macaulay's name. Sir G. O. Trevelyan has made a selection of these marginal notes, which Longmans, Green & Co. publish. They should be of interest to students and an addition to Macaulay's works in the library. (THE MARGINAL NOTES OF LORD MACAULAY.)

The Scribners publish a volume of Thomas Nelson Page's short stories. As the title, "UNDER THE CRUST," suggests, they raise the veneer of conventional life and read the hearts of men and women that lie beneath it. Now it is the heart of a man, who, sick of the exhausting toil of the city, leads a life of solitude in the western mountains and yet claims to be the richest man in the world. Or it is the tact and generosity of a city bred woman which opens more doors in an exclusive though humble community than her wealth. The stories which have already appeared in our periodical literature scarcely need comment. The author's name is both an introduction and a guarantee of their character and the enjoyment that awaits the reader of them.

The circumstance at the bottom of E. F. Benson's "SHEAVES" (Doubleday, Page & Co.) is the mating of a couple widely differing in age. The woman, though still handsome, has had her romance, and it has left more sad than pleasant memories; the man is about sixteen years her junior, the possessor of a fine, well trained voice. The two are deeply in love and marry, the woman accepting it as her mission to prod her husband's slothful ambition until he reaps the success which is his for the asking, if he would but bestir himself. The story is one of those we read for the pleasure of reading, for the pictures it presents, for the life that is reflected in its pages, for the likableness of its characters.

Robert E. Knowles' "THE DAWN AT SHANTY BAY" (Revell) is the story of a struggle that was won on Christmas day. It had been a hard struggle, too, the struggle in the heart of a man between the yearnings of a father and the pride and sense of right which his Scotch Presbyterianism had bred deep into his bones. His love prompted him to call back his only son, his pride would not let him forget the last words that passed between them.

To keep pace with the popularity of the Teddy bears Ada Louise Sutton has written a book about them, "THE TEDDY BEARS" (the Saalfield Publishing company). A family of five bears come into the peaceful and well behaved household of a little girl. The adventures of these bears are told in a way to interest small children, and the expressive pictures by A. J. Schaefer will pique their curiosity.

Nixon Waterman has perpetrated another volume of verse, "THE SONNETS OF A BUDDING BARD" (Forbes & Co.), and lest any one seeing the flowing meter should mistake their character John A. Williams has illustrated every one. The muse who watched over our author's early days left as her legacy a true poet's touch and a sense of humor that veils its wit beneath a boy's philosophy.

If Margaret Holmes Bates' "IN THE FIRST DEGREE" (Robert Grier Cooke) had its genesis in actual life, as seems not improbable from a certain earnestness it possesses, all we can say is that the author did not exercise discretion in her use of her material, did not hold herself sufficiently in check, but let her eagerness run away with her ideals regarding scientific accuracy.

This year's "CALENDAR FOR SAINTS AND SINNERS" (Forbes), like those of previous years, has a quotation for every day in the year calculated to cheer or encourage or give a pleasant thought for the day. The selection is most catholic.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

William Cross, secretary of state in Oklahoma, signs his name officially "Bill Cross."

Mrs. Ingeborg Nelson of Madison, Wis., the mother of Senator Nelson, was 93 last week.

Mrs. Anson Jones, widow of the last president of the republic of Texas, is still alive at Austin.

A negro of some means at Chester Valley, Pa., signs his checks "London Asparagus." In season.

William Hanushan of Indianapolis has dislocated his shoulder forty-one times. We don't know why.

In 1905 arctic whalebone was worth $11,000 a ton. Now the best quality sells for $10 a pound. Save your whales.

Mr. and Mrs. Chronic of Atlanta, Ga., have a new boy. As he is an only child, the habit has not yet become so with them.

Ernesto Nathan is the first Jew to be elected mayor of Rome. He was born in England and is a past grand master mason.

The latest slander about "Fighting Bob" is that he spends his time at sea embroidering table linen. There's a sad sea dog for you!

The Abbé Gorret, who climbed every important peak in the Swiss and Italian Alps, is dead at the age of 79. An ultramontane, as it were.

C. Wesley Wootton of Germantown, Pa., who recently pronounced Whitman as "an offensively dirty person," has now referred to Tennyson's poetry as sounding like "tearing rags."

IN THE WOLVERINE STATE.

Michigan has spent $42,244,111.79 for its schools in sixty-eight years.

Battle Creek has set aside a cliff and certain streets for boys' coasting.

Complaint has been made to the state game warden that hunters are using ferrets in hunting rabbits.

Capt. Alvan C. Fleury, who entered the union army as the youngest soldier from Vermont, lives now at Charlotte.

"Uncle Dan" Whipple of Traverse City has had his soldier's pension increased to $20 a month. He is 108. Little enough.

Mayor Morrow of Benton Harbor threw the key of his grocery store in the canal five years ago, and the place has not been locked since then.

Lyman Haviland and his wife, near Lansing, have celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. They have lived in the same house for forty years.

After almost a century of use the old Waterloo roller mills on the Raisin river, not far from Monroe, are still running, and they grind exceeding small.

Harrison Davenport, who was ferryman across the Muskegon river at Bridgton for twenty-five years, is dead, and the celebrated ferry will be discontinued.

Capt. Harry Gunderson, for forty-four years a lake sailor and master, has retired and will remove from Detroit to Chicago, there to go into business.

WERE NAGGED BY THEIR WIVES.

Rip Van Winkle.
Socrates.
Petruchio.
Agamemnon.
Joseph Gargery.
Solomon.
Mr. Caudle.
Mr. H. Peck.
Beadle Bumble.
Any additions sent in to this list will be regarded in the strictest confidence.

Cost of Royal Visits to London

The recent visit of continental royalty to London cost King Edward $250,000.

The late King Oscar stopped at the Swedish embassy in London and didn't cost King Edward a penny.

England had to pay $565,000 to have Czar Nicholas visit London in 1844. Of this $60,000 was spent in redecorating Buckingham palace.

When Sultan Abdul-Aziz of Turkey visited Queen Victoria in 1867 he took with him a personal suite of 1,000 persons, all of whom had to be accommodated by the English government.

The bill for putting up the khedive of Egypt at Dudley house in 1867 was $30,000, but it took $110,000 to entertain Prince Nasrullah Khan of Afghanistan at Dorchester house in 1895.

THE PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—[Editor of The Tribune.]—What has the republican party to consider in the nomination of the next president? Two essential factors are of the utmost importance: first, in justice to the country, the man best fitted for the place should be nominated; and, second, in justice to the republican party, the man who will poll the most votes.

There is in the republican party today no man so fitted for this high office in both of these regards as William H. Taft. Around the cabinet table he has entered into and heard discussed all the important issues of the day. He knows the legislative body of the country, with the interests of the whole country which it represents. He knows the problems that confront the states in the east, the south, the great central section, and the Pacific coast. Born in a central state, educated in New England, traveled in all parts of the United States, he knows the entire country as a man should know it who is to represent the nation. He, better than any other man, knows the Philippines, their people, and the problems there. He knows the east and realizes the importance of the great Pacific questions. He understands the complicated Cuban situation better than any one else, and the matters connected with the Panama canal. Not one of the other candidates can compare with him in this training and experience.

His judicial mind, his consideration for the rights of all in a "fair deal," his firm, strong, and yet warm hearted nature fit him by temperament to a remarkable degree for the difficulties of the presidential office. His powers for work are marvelous. Problem after problem of the hardest character that the president and the public were ever ready to intrust to him have been put upon his busy shoulders, and with his constant desire to serve his country to the best of his ability he has accepted them all, solving them as no other could.

His courage is unquestioned, and no man today in public life has a cleaner record for honest, upright, and unselfish service. So much, in brief, for his fitness for the office.

As to the second requisite, the vote polling power, in this, too, Mr. Taft would lead all the other candidates. Every man who has believed in the president's honest policies will be ready to vote for the man most certain to continue them. Thousands of men who believe in these policies, but who have not approved of the president's methods in carrying them out, will vote for a man who, while continuing the policies, will reform the methods of so doing.

There is a certain radical wave passing over the world, and the political leaders who fail to grasp and act upon this fact will lead their party to defeat. The nomination of Fairbanks, Cannon, Knox, or Cortelyou would be looked upon as a reactionary measure, and doubtless result in placing a democrat, probably Bryan, in the White house. For nearly eight years a New York man has been president, and it is neither right nor wise that this office should be filled for another four years by a man from that state. The presidency is not a perquisite of New York, though, with the chance of future preferment, it is natural that its politicians will make every effort to hold it. It is, moreover, a rather open secret here in Washington that political leaders of other states have been approached for the purpose of securing their support for Mr. Hughes and the inducement offered that in such a case there would be plenty of money to back the campaign. If a corporation wishes to contribute to campaign funds publicity won't prevent its doing so. It can easily secure scores of individuals to act as contributors for its contributions. The central and western states desire a man from nearer their department than New York.

Finally, to compare a man who has been governor of a single state for one year with a man of Mr. Taft's training, experience, and known ability in many fields of governmental work is like comparing a schoolboy with a man.

For the sake of the country and for the sake of the republican party let Mr. Taft be nominated.
F. T. C.

NEWS OF THE THEATERS.

A Merry Widow War.

Back of all the pother concerning the "rights" to "The Merry Widow," it begins now that several unscrupulous managers are planning to use pirated versions of the work in different sections of the country. It is a story of one manager's trusting simplicity and another manager's shrewdness. And, oddly enough, the trusting manager was an American, and the shrewd manager an Englishman.

As the story is told by other managers, after the operetta ran on and on in Vienna, the usually alert scouts engaged by foreign managers to keep watch of the continental field began to take notice of it. As a result their reports brought about a quiet, shoe, determined advance upon Vienna last summer.

Among the early birds was Henry W. Savage. He attended a performance of the work that had made a millionaire of the fiddling Lehar, and immediately after the second act rushed to the office of the management intent upon securing the widow for an American tour. At the door he met George Edwardes of London coming out and wearing the broad grin of a victor.

"Have you got them?" demanded Savage.

"Got what?" inquired Edwardes, evasively.

"The rights to this thing?"

"I certainly have."

"English and American?"

"Both."

"What will you take for the American rights?"

"Five thousand dollars!"

"Done!"

And suiting the action to the word, even as a hero paying the mortgage on the farm of his sweetheart's father, Mr. Savage wrote a check for the amount, the two shaking hands over it, and smiling sweetly at each other.

Mr. Savage knew he had a bargain, and Edwardes knew he could not lose, as he had paid the Viennese only $5,000 for all they had sold him.

Later the invading managers, with several gentlemen at home in Vienna, sat down to talk over their joint interests. And in that talk Mr. Edwardes discovered there were no American rights to "The Merry Widow," while Mr. Savage learned that, even if there had been, the London manager was under contract to give an option on everything he produced to Klaw & Erlanger of New York. In other words, Mr. Edwardes had sold something he did not own, and Mr. Savage had bought something that did not exist. The lamentations of Jeremiah were peans to contentment compared with what followed.

Savage and Edwardes both rushed into communication with the fortunate firm of Klaw & Erlanger—Savage to parley, Edwardes to explain. An agreement was reached whereby the English version of the work was copyrighted in America, and Klaw & Erlanger were guaranteed 25 per cent of the profits for their willingness to place a protecting arm about the shimmering shoulders of the waltzing widow.

Indiana's Guest.

There is another story that might be told Christmas morning—just as a surprise to the principals.

It appears that the authors of "The Man from Home," Booth Tarkington and Harry Leon Wilson, encouraged by their success with that play, are at work upon another in Indianapolis. Occasionally they also collaborate in an automobile ride, and come to Chicago to converse with Mr. Hodge and certain other of their friends.

It is related that during one of their return trips, when they were feverishly anxious to get back to work and realize the inspiration that had come over them in Chicago, they ran down a pedestrian who was making his undertain way through a suburb.

The man was not badly injured, but was inclined to be angry, and the imaginative authors immediately concluded the ideal way to proceed was to wine him and dine him before anything was said about a settlement. Therefore, they placed him gently in the tonneau, covered him carefully with fur robes, soothed his ruffled feelings with Indiana's most polished rhetoric, and proceeded on their way.

At home they continued the entertainment. The man was their guest. They would not hear to his stirring a step. They read to him, and sang to him, and he, being no more than human, lolled back in perfect peace under the spell of their eloquence. Occasionally he brought himself a drink.

But there came a time when the stranger insisted that he should return to his duties. He was a theatrical agent, he declared, and, while he had had a perfectly lovely time for a week, he must away. Reluctantly the trio, now firm friends, parted.

The sequel is amusing. It has transpired that while the agent was recovering from his injuries and the Tarkington-Wilson entertainment, the company that he represented closed for lack of funds he was presumed to be carrying.

Dazy Drama Returns.

"In Old Kentucky" has returned to Mr. Vicker's for the holidays, with the picaninnies dancing harder than ever and playing in the Whangdoodle band as if their life dependent upon it—which is true of their theatrical life, at least. This fifteen year old comedy drama of Charles T. Dazy's is a credit to the good taste of those who contribute to its continued success. It tells a clean, pleasant, interesting story, and there is enough excitement to stir the most blasé. In the present instance it is capably acted, and the audiences, as usual, are large and applausive. Friday afternoon a matinée

The January Clearance Sales Begin Tomorrow!

All the Silks Are Cut for Clearance

This Black Oil Boiled Taffeta at 73c is a full yard wide. It's a special lot, just 27 bolts in the entire assortment. Taffeta Silk we sell regularly at 1.35 the yard, for clearance, **73c**

1.25 Blk. Peau de Soie, 36-in., Heavy Silk, 85c
1.1 Lining Satin, 36 in., white, cream & col's, 79c
85c Colored Pongee Taffeta, 24 in. wide, 35c
90c Kimono Silks, 32 inches wide, at yard, 48c
90c Embroidered Crepe de Chine, at yard, 39c
50c White Habutai Silk, 27 in. wide, at 35c
90c Colored China Silks, good quality, yd., 27c
75c Novelty Dress Velvets, black or brown, 29c
75c Bearskin, colored, black or white, yd., 25c

Too Much Dress Goods By Half: Bargains

Wool Satin Stripe Challis. 100 designs in handsome floral effects, dots and buds, beautiful combinations and plains, large and small patterns. 50c Challis for dresses, waists, kimonos, children's wear and the like, tomorrow at **29c**

75c Cheviots, Venetians & Serges, all colors, 39c
75c Silk Barred Plaids, nobby combina'ns, 39c
1.1 Novelty Broadcloths, variety colorings, 45c
1.25, 45 to 50 in. Serges, Panamas, Cheviots, 69c
1.25 French Broadcloths, beautiful colors, 75c
1.50 Novelty Suiting Checks and Stripes, 95c
1.48 54-inch French Broadcloth, all colors, 1.00
1.1 Cream Mohair, 40 in. wide, silk finish, 59c
1.1 45 in. Wool Taffeta Batiste, all colors, 75c
75c Black Wool French Cheviots and Venetian Cloths, seasonable materials, suitable for waists, skirts and suits, yard, **35c**
60c 54-inch Black Homespun Suiting, yd., 39c
1.1 Priestley 45-in. Mohair Brilliantine, yd., 49c
1.1 45-in. Black Reversible Fr. Cheviots, 55c
1.1 44-in. All Wool French Voile, fine mesh, 58c
1.25 Black Priestley Melrose Suiting, wool, 65c
1.50 54-in. Broadcloth, prunella finish, yd., 95c

Down Go the Prices on Drugs, Perfumes, Etc.

Kerhoff's Imported Djer Kiss Perfume. An exceptionally lasting odor. Sells regularly at 1.50 the oz. Special clearance price tomorrow, oz., **$1**

75c Ideal Bouquet, in bulk, per ounce, 39c
Mme. Bell's 25c Powder Puffs, now at 5c
Automobile with bot. perfume worth 15c at 5c
2.25 Dresden Toilet Sets. Floral designs, 1.50
Bronoid Toilet Sets, comb, mirror & brush, 98c
75c bottle Liebig's Beef, Iron and Wine, 29c
75c oz. Jickey Famous Perfume, priced at 39c
50c box Dr. Laval's Kidney Pills, now at 29c
25c Luxmore Lacy's Tooth Powder at 12c
10c Cake Spanish Castile Soap, now at 5c
25c Dermol Medicated Carbolic Soap, 10c
Remmer's Witch Hazel Soap now 2½c
25c Japanese Tea for the Blood, only 15c
1.1 size Stowitine Rheumatic Remedy, 59c
1.1 size Clarke's Malt Whiskey, now at 89c

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Then Single Stamps Till Closing

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Too Many Gloves, So Out They Go Quickly

These are Good Quality Gloves, slightly mussed from handling during the holiday rush. Wearing qualities are not injured a particle. They're mussed and soiled, however, and in the Clearance lists they go at, **39c**

Infants' White Mittens, worth 25c, at 18c
Women's $1 and 1.50 Kid Gloves, blk. & col., 69c
Men's Gloves, odds & ends, worth 75c-1.50, 69c
Misses' Kid Gloves, odd lots, worth $1, at 25c
Women's 50c Mercerized Golf Gloves, at 29c
Boys' 75c & 85c Fringed Gauntlet Gloves, 50c
Misses' 25c & 50c Mussed Golf Gloves, at 15c
Men's 25c Jersey Gloves, leather strips, 12c.
Men's 25c Knit Gloves, good and warm, 10½c

Take a Pair of Men's $2 Slippers, at $1

Men's Slippers. Made of kid and calfskin in black, tan and novelty effects. Both Opera and Everett patterns, with hand turned and flexible soles. Perfect fitting and comfortable. All sizes in the lot. Slippers we sold at $2, for Clearance, tomorrow, **$1**

Women's 1.50 Fur Trim'd Juliets, sizes to 8, 95c
Misses' House Slippers, felt with fur trim'g, 69c
Misses' Slippers, plain and Juliet patterns, 69c
Children's Plain Slippers, flexible soles, at 49c
Children's House Slippers, many varieties, 49c
Boys' Slippers, kid and calfskin, per pair, 98c
Boys' Everett and Opera Style Slippers, 98c
Youths' Kid and Calfskin Slippers, at 98c
Youths' Slippers, Everett or Opera shapes, 98c.

Sweeping Clearance of Holiday Jewelry

Jewelry Odds and Ends. All the broken lines and overstocks of various kinds. Not a piece worth under 50c, & hundreds are $1 to $2 vals. Clearance price, 39c, 25c & **19c**

Look for our discount signs throughout the Jewelry department. Every section has special price tickets indicating exceptional values.

All the Books Must Go: See the Prices!

Famous Buster Brown Books. Sure to please the children. 8 volumes, strongly bound in series. For clearance, the volume, **10c**

Webster's 2.50 Unabridged 1906 Dictionary. Leather bound. Stand, worth 2.50, both, 2.98.
Nelson's 1.50 Teacher's Bible. Bound limp, with Divinity Circuit, maps, helps, etc., 98c.
Webster's 1.25 Dictionary, 70,000 words, 75c.
Teddy Bear Books at, each, 10c.

Our Entire Coat, Suit and Skirt Stock Is Reduced Half and More for Complete Clearance!

Evening Coats

Handsome $30 Evening Coats. In white, 14.90.
Copenhagen Blue Cape Coats. Reduced to 19.90.
Circular Back Coats of rich cloths. Reduc'd to 22.50.
Smart Evening Capes. Beautiful line of colors. Reduced to 14.50.

Broadcloth Coats

Full Length Loose Fitting Coats, satin lined, good colors, $15 and $18 values, at 9.75.
Circular Back Coats, 50-inch length. Brown, red and castor, satin lined, 9.75.
Swagger Long Coats. Satin lined, 11.75.
Dressy Coats. White or gray. Satin lined, 12.50.
High-grade Coats. Rich broadcloths, 14.75.

Women's Black Coats

Kersey Coats. Formerly 13.75, at 7.90.
Black Coats, loose or fitted styles, 50 inches long, 9.90.

Rich Black Coats, braid trimmed, 11.75.
Tight Fitting Coats, graceful styles, at 12.50.
Stylish Long Coats, finely tailored, at 14.90.

Caracul Cloth Coats

Jaunty 27-inch crushed velour, $5.
Caracul Cloth Coats, black or gray, sold at 13.75, priced 7.50.
Stylish 16.50 Fur Cloth Coats, 9.90.
$18 New Fur Cloth Coats, 12.50.

Women's Capes

$12 Kersey Capes, light weight, $5.
$16.50 Kersey Capes, all satin lined, 7.50.
$30 Circular Capes, Skinner satin lined, $10.

Military Prince Chap Coats

Broadcloth Coats. 27-in. long. Semi-fitting, $10.

Broadcloth Coats. Smart short model, $10.
Military Prince Chap Coats. 27-inches long, 11.90.
Broadcloth Coats. Semi-fitting model, 8.75.

Kersey Coats

Kersey Coats. 50-inch length, some braid trimmed, $10 values, reduced to $5.
Heavy Weight Mixture Coats, 50-in., reduced to $5.
50-in. Broadcloth Coats, light weight, $5.
All-wool Kersey Coats, 50-inch length, at 6.75.
Kersey Coats, half-lined, special for clearance, $5.
Kersey Coats, plain tailored, for clearance, $5.
Kersey Coats in dressy colors, many shades, $5.

Cravenette Coats

Wilson's Cravenetted Cloth Coats, $10.
Cravenetted Coats. A fine lot reduced to $5.

Fur Lined Coats

Practical $25 Winter Fur Lined Coats, 14.90.
Handsome $35 Fur Lined Coats, 20.00.
$75 Long Loose Coats, Squirrel lining, at 34.90.
Handsome Coats for auto or carriage wear, 44.90.

Black Velvet Coats

Nobby Short Velvet Coats. Satin lined, 19.90.
Smart Military Velvet Coats reduced to $16.75.
Long Velvet Coats, richly braid trimmed, 24.90.

Women's Suits

Clearance of Women's Suits, broken lots of nicely tailored suits, 7.50.
Plain Tailored Suit of Broadcloth. Satin lined coat, 12.50.
Military or Prince Chap Suits. Plaited skirts, $15.
Stylish Suits. Popular cloths and colors. Reduced to $20.

Women's Skirts

Splendid Panama Skirts, smartly pleated, Thursday at 3.75.
Dressy Skirts of Chiffon Panama, special Thursday at 4.90.
Skirts of Chiffon Panamas and Broadcloths reduced to 5.90.
Fine Skirts of Voiles and Taffetas reduced Thursday to 6.90.

Clearance of Dresses, Costumes and Jumper Suits

Stylish 22.50 net dresses, lace trimmed, sale price, 14.75.
China Silk or Fancy Net Dresses, special Thursday at 19.90.
Broadcloth, One-Piece Jumper Dresses, special at $20.
Princess Demi-Dress of fine Panama cloth, Thursday, $20.
Nobby Dresses of silk or net, reduced Thursday to 22.50.
Rich Silk Demi-Costumes. Evening colors, special at $35.
Attractive Dresses. One or two of a kind. Reduced to 49.50.
150.00 Imported Dress of chiffon voile, a great value at $85.

January Clearance Wash Goods Remnants

Clearing out all the short lengths of Wash Goods and Flannels left from our great holiday selling. Thousands of remnants in lengths convenient for most any purpose. Prices are reduced about half.

8c Outing Cloths, neat striped effects, yd., 4c
12½c to 15c Remnants Flannelettes, yard, 7½c
12½c to 15c Outing and Baby Flannel, 7½c
15c to 19c Velour and Outing Flannel, 9½c
15c to 19c Baby Flannel, Ginghams, etc., 9½c
19c to 25c Best Velour and Flannelettes, 12½c
19c to 25c Madras, Ginghams, Suitings, 12½c

Women's Underwear All Sizes for Clearance

Women' Black All Wool Oneita Union Suits, you all know this name, the kind that sell at 1.50 the country over. Priced them for immediate Clearance tomorrow at **59c.**

Children's Ribbed Wool Underwear. Size 34 sells at 65c. All sizes reduced to 29c
Children's 50c Union Suits. Drop seat, 39c
Children's 75c-$1 Silver Gray Union Suits, 59c
Women's 59c Cotton Fleeced Underwear, 39c
Women's Peeler Color Fleeced Underwear, 25c
Women's Fleeced Peeler Color Union Suits, 33c
Women's Natural Color part Wool Vests, 35c
Women's 35c Imported Black Hose, pair, 29c
Women's 35c Black Cotton Fleeced Hose, 19c
Women's 17c Black Cotton Emb'd Hose, 10c
Children's 50c Cashmere Hose, odd lots, 19c
Children's 12½c Black Hose, small sizes, 5c

Clearance of All the Wrappers and Kimonos

These Long Persian Flannelette Kimonos are made with yoke in front and back. The entire garments are finished with buttonhole scallop; exceptionally dainty and comfortable kimonos — tomorrow at **75c**

50c Dressing Sacques, fleeced flannel'te, 29c
1.95 **Flannelette,** Dutch style dresses, at 1.50
1.95 **Long Kimonos,** made of flannelette, 1.50
$1 **Flannelette House Wrappers,** now 79c
1.50 to $2 **Black Sateen** Petticoats, at $1
Women's Underskirts, knit or flannelette, 25c
$3 to $5 **White Skirts,** soiled, at 1.95 & 2.95
$1 **Flannelette Night** Gowns. Reduced to 79c
39c to 50c **Corset Covers,** slightly soiled, 25c

All the Boys' Clothing Cut for Clearance

All these Boys' Suits are made of wear-resisting fabrics. Some are in double-breasted style and some have belts and knickerbocker trousers. The fabrics are cheviots, cassimeres and tweeds in plain blues and blacks. Sizes run from 5 to 16. Suits worth 2.50, $3, and 3.50 at **1.55**

Boys' $5 Reefers. Sizes 5 to 12 yrs., at 2.50
Boys' $6 and $7 2-piece suits. Reduced to 3.95
Boys' $6 and $7 long overcoats, 9 to 15, 3.95
Boys' 50c Knee Pants (2 pr. to customer), 25c

Waists for Less Than Cost to Make

Silk Lined Net and Silk Plaid Waists. Complete lines and broken lots mussed and handled during the holiday rush. Many are 3.50 and $5 waists. Special, **1.95.**

A lot of All Wool Nun's Veiling Waists. Smart, plain or embroidered styles. Good line of colors. Reduced to 1.79.

A lot of Knitted Coats or Blouse Sweaters. High or low neck. Neat, dressy. Sold from $2 to $4. Reduced to 1.95.

A lot of Dressy Net Waists. Daintily trimmed. Silk lined. Reduced to 2.95.

Fancy Dress Waists, of silk. Pastel colors. Beautiful models. Reduced to 2.95.
Lot of White Lawn Waists. Various smart trimmings. Well made, fresh and clean. Reduced to 79c.
White Lawn Waists. Attractive styles. Perfect fitting. Reduced to 1.25.
Lingerie Waists. Fine soft fabrics. Embroidery or lace trimmed. Reduced to 1.95.

50c and 75c Corsets, for Clearance, 29c

Tape Girdles, made with supporters attached. Dainty little Corsets, worth 50c and 75c, for clearance tomorrow, **29c**

Long Hip Corsets, 2 pair hose supporters, 39c
Kabo Corsets, long or short hip models, 89c
Amer. Lady Corsets, long or short models, 89c
2.50 S. C. Special, for large figures, odd lots, 1.25

Calendars Reduced Half for Christmas

Included in this clearance offer are Fancy Art Calendars worth 50c to 3.50, Photogravure Calendars worth 75c to 2.50, and Hand Colored Calendars worth $1 to $4, all reduced for clearance to **50%**

Deduct discount from marked prices.

Christmas Cards, dozen at 5c.
New Year's Cards. Special tomor., 1c to 10c.
New Year's Post Cards, each at 1c.

Unheard Of Bargains in Junior Coats

1.90 The vacation period can be profitably devoted to purchases of Junior Coats and Suits at the great savings offered. Girls' $5 coats of heavy winter mixtures are reduced to 1.90.

Girls' Stylish Box Coats, now at 3.75
Girls' Long Cheviot & Kersey Coats, 4.90
Girls' Winter Coats, in good colors, 5.90
Girls' Fine Woolen Dresses, now at 1.90
Girls' School Dresses, well made, at 3.75
Girls' Fine Quality Dresses, redu'd to 4.90

Misses' and Small Women's Coats and Suits Reduced

$7 Full Length Coats, 16 to 20 years, 3.75
Long Loose Fitt'g Coats, many styles, 4.90
$12 Kersey Coats, for misses, at 7.50
$15 Full Length Coats, reduced to 8.75
$18 Bl'k Broadcloth Coats, satin lined, $10
$10 Fancy Suits, for misses, now at 3.75
Misses' Winter Weight Suits, reduced, $10
Misses' Black Serge Suits, now at $10
High Grade Broadcloth Suits, at $20
Misses' Skirts. Fancy Suitings, at 2.90

The Ribbon Clearance All Silk Ribbon, 4c

Remnants of all Silk Ribbons, in the Nos. 5 and 7 widths, all colors and shades. Lengths desirable for most any purpose. For clearance, yard, only **4c**

25c and 35c Fancy Ribbons broken colors, 18c
45c to 85c Hair and Hat Pin Holders, at 29c
75c Passepartouted Pictures, fancy colors, 39c
All-Silk Taffeta Ribbons, 3½-in. wide, at 11c

January Clearance of Pictures and Frames

25% discount on all ready made Frames.
33⅓% discount on all Oil Paintings.
33⅓% discount on all Framed Pictures marked from $12 to $35.
25% discount on all Framed Pictures marked from $5 to $10.

Fancy Notions Cut a Third to a Half

Fancy Garters. All neatly packed in glass boxes. Great variety of colors and styles. Garters worth 1.25 and 1.50, tomorrow, **75c**

75c and $1 Fancy Garters, reduced to 50c.
35c and 50c Garters, many styles & kinds, 25c.
$1 and 1.25 Work Boxes, many styles, at 75c.
50c, 65c, and 75c Work Boxes, priced at 25c.

Clearance of Sample Sewing Machines 20% Off

All the Sample Sewing Machines on our floor reduced 20%. They're just a little shop worn from use in displays—not second hand machines. All are guaranteed absolutely perfect. Prices range from 12.50 to 36.85. But one of a kind. Take 20% from the marked prices.

Cut Glass, Fancy China and Bric-a-Brac at 25% Off

Save a full fourth tomorrow on Cut Glass, Bric-a-Brac, Fancy China, Beer Steins, Plaques, Fish and Game Sets, Bohemian Glassware and Water Sets. Choose from our entire stock of beautiful holiday goods and deduct **25%**

Our Fur Stock Is Twice What It Should Be: Unheard Of Reductions to Move It at Once

Small Neck Pieces. A lot of coney, brook mink and squirrels, reduced to **2.75**

Stylish Fur Throw Tabs and Zazas. Various popular furs, worth $5 to $6, reduced to **3.75**

Fur Muffs. A lot of various furs in the new pillow shapes, some to match above neck pieces, reduced to **4.90**

Fur Neck Pieces. Popular effects, reduced to **4.75**

Genuine Mink Neck Pieces. Stylish and dressy, reduced to **7.50**

Genuine Mink Animal Tabs and Scarfs. Serviceable and warm, reduced to **14.90**

Japanese Mink Fancy Throws or Neck Pieces. Some with tails, reduced to **9.90**

Natural Squirrel Sets. Large pillow muffs and throw, reduced to **16.90**

French Sable Coney Muffs, pillow shape, **1.98**

Long Throws, satin lined, **1.98**

Natural Squirrel Muffs. New shapes, reduced to **7.50**

Delaware Brook Mink Pelerines or Shawls, now **12.50**

Stylish Storm Collar in various favored furs, reduced to **7.50**

Pieced Mink Set. New pillow muff and throw, reduced to **9.90**

Isabella Fox Boa. Two large tails, reduced to **8.50**

Japanese Mink Set. Selected skins. Stylish muff and throw, **17.50**

Delaware Brook Mink Sets. Finely striped, reduced to **12.50**

Clearance of Fur Coats

Sable Coney Coat. Nobby 24-in. length, satin lined, now **19.50**

Nearseal Coat. Fine grade, best satin lined, reduced to **32.50**

Delaware Brook Mink Coat. Fine wearing fur, reduced to **$50**

Two Natural Otter Coats. Fine rich fur. Selected skins, **$140**

One Beaver Cape. Beautiful fur and lining, reduced to **$85**

Three Beaver Trimmed Nearseal Coats. 3 Russian Pony Coats, **$50**

Out Go All Leather Goods in a Hurry

All these Hand Bags are moire lined and fitted with purse, included are many envelope bags. They're a bit mussed and rumpled from handling, but none are really injured. Bags that sell regularly at 75c and 95c each, cut for clearance to **48c**

$2 to 2.95 hand bags, moire and leather lined. Also vanity bags with back strap. Price, 1.50 4.50 to $6 bags; genuine morocco, seal & walrus; calf lined; fitted with purse; assorted colors, 3.50
Celluloid and leather albums, manicure and toilet sets, soiled and mussed. Priced at ⅓ off.

19c to 25c Doilies for Clearance, 12½c

These Battenberg Doilies are in the 9 and 12 inch sizes with all linen center. Also 9-inch Japanese Drawn Work Doilies. They're slightly soiled from handling. Sell them regularly 19c and 25c. Special tomorrow, **12½c**

$2 Battenberg Squares & Scarfs (mussed), $1
85c 27-in. Bleached Damask, good design, 59c
Sample Napkins, ½-doz. lot, worth 2.25, 69c
Huck Towels. Extra h'vy, soiled & mussed, 25c
1.75 to $2 Hemstitched Linen Table Cloths, 1.19
Remnants, of whitegoods, w'th to 35c, yd., 19c
12½c Turkish Towels, large and bleached, 9c
Waist Patterns, emb., white and colored, $1
50c Table Padding. Heavy weight, 54-in., 35c

January Clearance Boys' Winter Caps, 25c

Out go these Boys' Caps at half. They're warm winter caps in plain blue and mixtures, all have fur bands. Caps we sell regularly at 50c, for clearance, **25c**

Men's 50c and 75c Winter Caps. Good, 38c
Girls' $1 Bearskin Angora Tams. All sizes, 39c
Children's Stocking Caps. These are 39c caps, 15c
Children's regular $1 Russian Caps, only, 49c

A Final Clearance of Holiday Umbrellas

All the odd pieces from our great holiday sale of Umbrellas are specially priced for clearance tomorrow. These are good umbrellas made to sell at $3. Our former reduced price 1.95, now, **1.45**

January Clearance of Embroideries

Corset Cover Embroidery reduced half for clearance. It's all dainty embroidery with beading effect, made in a variety of patterns, 25c values for clearance, **12½c**

39c 18-in. Corset Cover Embroidery at 25c
50c 18-in. Corset Cover & Dress Flouncings, 38c
75c & $1 Flouncings and Corset Cover Em., 48c
1.25 to 1.50 18-in. Emb. Flouncings, yd., 75c
1.75 Flouncings & Corset Cover Emb., yd., 95c
15c Sample Emb. Edges and Insertions, 7½c
19c Emb. Bands, Edges & Insertions, yd., 11c

January Clearance of Odd Lace Curtains

Clearing out Sample Lace Curtains at 59c. They're the odd samples from our immense stock. Accumulations of half pair lots. Not one worth less than $3 the pair—some as high as $5. Included are cable and Scotch nets in white & ecru. For clearance, ea **59c**

$2 Burlap Filled Fire Screens (soiled), 50c
1.50 Scotch Nets, white and ecru, pair, 98c
$4 Irish Pt. Curtains, white and Arabian, 2.79

4.98 Wool Blankets for Quick Riddance, 3.75

White Wool Blankets is the warm winter weights. The big 11-4 size. Worth 4.98 the pair. Special tomorrow for clearance, **3.75**

5.75 11-4 Scarlet Blankets reduced to 3.98
25c to 75c Feather Ticks, ready for feathers, 15c
$7, 7.50, $8 Blankets, 100 prs. odds & ends, $5
$4 & $5 Blankets, slightly soiled, reduced to $3
Single Blankets, seconds of 1.50 kind, at 50c
$3 Comforts, 72x84, a lot of 10 cases, at 1.95
2.50 Plain Silkoline Comforts, good colors, 1.50
1.50 Crib Comforts, ruffled all around, at 59c
75c White Hemmed Bedspreads reduc'd to 59c
2.75 Fringed Spreads, cut or square corn'rs, 2.10
Pillows, 4-lb. wt., 21x27 art tickings, pair, $3

Thursday Specials in the Grocery

Flour, regardless of cost; Hazel Premium, bbl., 6.00; ½ bbl. sk., 3.00; ¼ bbl., 1.50; ⅛ bbl., **75c**

Elgin Sugar Corn, famous Watch brand, case 2 doz., 1.95; doz., 1.00; per can, **9c**

Breakfast Cocoa, Hazel, noted for its delicious chocolate flavor and medicinal qualities, 1 lb., 45c; ½ lb., 25c.

California Yellow Crawford Peaches, Hazel, dozen, 2.25; 6 cans, 1.70; can, 30c.

Maine Corn, Hazel, extra quality, case 2 doz., 2.95; dozen cans, 1.50; can, 13c.

California Egg Plum, Hazel, extra quality, case 2 doz., 4.95; doz., 2.50; can, 25c.

Fragrant Teas, noted for their delicious cup qualities, regular price, 75c, special tomorrow, green, black or our special blends or our Hazel Basket Fire Japan, special quality, 5 lbs., 1.35; pound, 40c.

Red Ripe Tomatoes, hand packed, Hazel extra quality, in extra large cans, dozen, 1.95; can, 17c.

Our Popular Blend Coffee, blended and roasted fresh day of sale, special tomorrow, 3½ lbs., 1.00; 4 lbs., 1.40; lb., 30c.

Baking Powder, Hazel, pure cream of tartar, 2½ lbs., 70c; 1 lb., 30c.

Head Rice, finest grown in Louisiana, extra large uniform heads, 10 lbs., 95c; lb., 10c.

Breakfast Food, choice of Malta Vita or Dr. Price's Celery Food, 6 pkgs., 35c; pkg., 9c.

Italian Chestnuts, 6 lbs., 50c; lb., 9c.

Melting Sugar Peas, Hazel, extra sweet and tender, dozen, 2.00, can, 18c.

High Grade Butterine. Holstein finest, 3 lbs. net weight in drum, 65c; lb., 17c.

Fresh Baked Biscuits, choice of Graham, Oatmeal, Fig Bars, Pink Teas, Dainty Teas or City Soda, 6 pkgs. of assorted, 45c; pkg., 8c.

Self-Rising Buckwheat Flour, Hazel extra quality, doz., 1.35, 2-lb. pkg., 12c.

German Family Soap, Milford's, none better for household use, 10 1 lb. bars, 55c.

Assorted New Nuts, 3-lb. lots, 55c; lb., 19c.

Scouring Soap, S. C & Co., none better made; cleans perfect; dozen bars, 50c, bar 4½c.

French Olive Oil, Hazel triple clarified, virgin pure, full quart can or bottle, 98c; full pint, 50c.

Gloss Starch, Milford's extra quality, 3 boxes, 1.25; 6 lbs. net weight in box, 45c.

Sweet Navel Oranges, 2 dozen, 45c; per dozen, 24c.

Imported Layer Figs (2¼-inch spread), 2 lbs., 25c.

Santa Clara Valley Sun-Cured Prunes, sweet meaty fruit, 6 lbs., 50c; lb., 9c.

Wilson's 25c Toasters, for Clearance, 14c

Wilson's Bread Toasters, for gas, gasoline, and oil stoves. These are the genuine Wilson's Toasters. The most practical and hygienic toaster on the market. Toasts 4 slices of bread at one time. Regular 25c values at **14c**

50c Imported Willow Clothes Baskets at 35c
85c No Sag Folding Curtain Stretchers at 69c
45c 2-qt. Enam'd Rice or Oatmeal Boilers, 25c
29c 4-qt. Enameled Berlin Kettles, covered, 19c
45c 8-qt. Enameled Berlin Covered Kettles, 29c
25c 6-qt. Enameled Preserving Kettle at 15c
65c 12-qt. Enameled Water Pail, priced at 35c
45c Sheffield Steel Butchers' Knives at 19c
12c qual. Wire Carpet Beaters reduced to 5c
25c 10x15 Covered Steel Roasting Pans, 15c
$1 24-lb. Family Kitchen Scales, priced 89c
15c Nickel Plated Hammers, full size, at 10c
29c grade of Steel Hatchets reduced to 21c
38c Japanned Mail Boxes, well made, at 29c
18c House Brooms, well made, reduced to 9c

We Take 25% From Furniture Prices! A Drastic Clearance

All the discontinued patterns and single pieces in the Furniture Store reduced a fourth. Handsome, well made furniture in the newest styles. Take a fourth from the marked price at time of purchase.

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January Clearance of Rugs and Linoleums

Axminster Rugs of the best high pile quality. Finest Oriental and floral patterns in an immense line of colorings. New tans, greens and reds. 9x12 Rugs slightly mismatched, 27.50 quality, specially priced for clearance at only **19.65**

6.50 6x9 Rangpur Smyrna Rugs priced 4.69.
24.50 9x12 Wilton Vel. Rugs, no miters, 18.45.
3.50 3x6 Smyrna Rugs, samples, priced 2.69.
2.25 27x54 inch Axminster Rugs, at 1.59.
45c Floor Oilcloths, 1¼-yds. wide, sq. yd., 29c.
75c Linoleum, Mill Ends, at, square yard, 49c.
60c 2-yd. Linoleum, plenty patterns, yd., 43c.
80c 4-yd. Linoleums, tiles & florals, yd., 58c.

1.50 Wilton Velvet Carpets. Best quality 20 rolls to clean up, no borders, yd., 1.15.

Caspar Whitney's All-American Football Team. Hurdle Race Is Farce.

CASPAR WHITNEY PICKS HIS TEAM.

Selections for All-American Football Eleven Are Confined to East.

THREE MEN FROM PENN.

Yale Leads in Team Ranking; Michigan Is Placed Ahead of Chicago.

Caspar Whitney, in his selection of an All-American football eleven, which appears in the current issue of Outing, has found no place for a western player. The eastern critic has chosen his eleven stars from six eastern teams, Pennsylvania with three men being the most strongly represented. Two Carlisle Indians are given places, as are two Yale and Harvard players.

Only one westerner was given a berth with the substitute or second eleven, this being Schulz of Michigan, whom Walter Camp picked for his first team.

Mr. Whitney in ranking the teams of the country places six eastern teams ahead of the westerners, with Yale the leader. Michigan is given seventh place, ahead of Chicago, while Minnesota is placed eleventh. The teams are ranked in the following order: Yale, Princeton, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, Harvard, Cornell, Michigan, Chicago, Annapolis, West Point, Minnesota, Brown, Dartmouth, Swarthmore.

Open Play Improves Game.

In ranking the teams Mr. Whitney comments as follows:

"To my mind, aside from the better spirit which the open game appears to have instilled, its most estimable feature is its leveling influence. Thus this year through all the practice season elevens have been more nearly matched—the open game favoring lighter teams—and play therefore of a more interesting character.

"In any selection of teams or individuals, the final games must exert a dominating influence because if in these final contests which reveal the highest football development of which the college discussed is capable. On this basis Yale and Princeton close together take rank above other elevens in the country on account of their team work, while Harvard secures her place in the ranking entirely because of the notable effort of its individuals, of whom seven are high class.

"The 1907 record of the Carlisle Indian school team is certainly a remarkable one. They seemed to be on the train most of the season, and as travel is fatiguing, their succession of victories over the strongest elevens of the country was therefore the more notable. It may be said without implied criticism that the Indians are naturally less bound by eligibility rules than college teams.

Carlisle Is Praised.

"Carlisle's game was conceived under the new rules, and was played brilliantly from first to last, as a team as well as individually, especially with regard to the spectacular performers, Houser, Dreadnaught, and Mount Pleasant. They used the forward pass successfully, as well as more repeatedly than any other team of the year. Had they been prepared for one big final game, like Yale, Princeton, and Harvard, no one can say with certainty who would be number one on the list. Judged, however, by the best of the play of the teams ranked, Carlisle and the others appear to be placed justly.

"With the exception of Harvard, Annapolis, and West Point, the football of all eastern teams was first class, and in most cases an improvement over the play of the year before. This is particularly true of Princeton, which had a smooth working and hard hitting eleven, and one that was not overtrained, statements to the contrary notwithstanding.

"Both the navy and the army teams played the poorest football that they have shown in a number of years, though their spirit was splendid, as always is the case. Pennsylvania, like Yale, was a team that was slow making, but, when completed, one that brought credit to its alma mater.

"Prepare" for One Big Game.

"Indeed, the universities are becoming impressed with the fact that the only way to play football is to prepare for their one important game and take all the others in their stride regardless of results. No team in these days should "prepare" for more than one big game in a season. Pennsylvania's victory over the strong Michigan team in its midseason was a thoroughly first class performance, while the football exhibited to the amazement of Cornell was highly creditable to the university. Cornell is on the right road—but it has not traveled that road long enough. I hope, however, that it will not be discouraged. It has been steadily improving the last two or three years, and other things being equal, its chance ought to come in 1908.

Michigan Best in West.

In the west Michigan, which yields allegiance to none of the conference college regulations to which the others subscribe, appears to be the strongest team, although so far as may be judged, there is little difference among Michigan, Minnesota, and Chicago, all of whom are handicapped in comparison with Michigan by having their field of selection restricted to the second and third year men only, the first and fourth year men being ruled out.

In addition to this Chicago, in seeking to place her athletics on a sportsmanly and sane basis, has abandoned a training table, for which they certainly are to be commended. All things considered, the showing of the western conference colleges is, comparatively speaking, more praiseworthy than that of the eastern colleges.

Praises New Rules.

Mr. Whitney believes the new rules have done much good for the game. He says:

"I do not remember a football season more pleasing than that of 1907. On all the desirable counts it is far ahead of any year's play within my recollection. It has shown more of brains and ability than avoirdupois and push, fewer accidents, and above all more sportsmanly spirit. As practically all this is due to the new rules it is needless to reaffirm here that the new rules are a success.

"Speaking strictly from a football man's point of view the new rules are likewise equally successful because they have developed a stronger attack than defense, which was exactly what the game required and what the committee endeavored to do. We can well afford to let the present rules rest for another season's trial. We know perfectly well now that the game under these new rules is a success.

"It is more pleasing to the public; it is more tolerable to the players; and it is developing a really high grade of football because it is putting a premium on brain work and not on bone and muscle, as formerly it did. To have accomplished these things within two seasons' trial is to have accomplished a praiseworthy list, and I earnestly entreat the rule makers to do no tampering or further experimenting.

Forward Pass Should Stay.

"Even though the forward pass is a little crude at the moment, football is not going to suffer and I think nobody imagines it will approach to basketball as some of the old line critics seem to think. It seems to me the forward pass has unlimited possibilities in the way of clever and skilled development. It is destined to be one of the most important and spectacular features of the game. There should, of course, be penalties to prevent the ball from being simply 'thrown around,' but properly framed, it is bound to be the strongest card in a team's hand and it is a fact borne out by the records that the strongest teams of 1907 were those which used the forward pass most skilfully, and that the most brilliant play of the season centered around the forward pass and the onside kicks. I am sure that so intelligent and so sportsmanly a student of football as Mr. Camp will weigh all these sides to the question when it comes up for discussion before the rules committee.

Scores Surprise Critics.

"One of the surprises which the new game has furnished the old hammer and tongs critics is the scoring. When the present rules were first put in force the cry was raised that the season would be full of scoreless games. Probably there never has been a season in the history of football when so much scoring was done as in this season of 1907. I have not the figures before me, but I think I am safe in saying that the so-called big teams were never scored on so frequently as in 1907.

"The most gratifying result of the season was improvement in the spirit of play, and for this the open game is absolutely and almost solely responsible, just as the closed game was responsible for the brutish exhibitions which formerly disgraced football."

Some Interesting Points.

Commenting on interesting points of the season, he says:

"Carlisle, which perhaps played the most open game—achieved also the most notable record of the year with long forward passes.

"Onside kicks and forward passes worked well when they were properly executed.

"Yale's forward passes were the best protected at the receiving end of any team—better than the Indians.

"The mixture of old and new football made the most successful game.

"The added duties imposed upon ends increased difficulties of playing that position.

"Yale followed the ball more accurately than Harvard and recovered more fumbles. Harvard's attack too weak. No concerted team assault.

"Yale's game was stronger against Princeton than against Harvard. Harvard's physical condition better than Yale.

"It is a close decision among Mount Pleasant and Jones and Dillon for quarter back position.

"All teams in 1907 showed good physical condition.

"Princeton rush line got the jump on Yale in the first half; in the second half Jones' generalship outwitted Princeton.

"Harlan, who was counted upon to score—missed three out of four tries for field goal. No particular development in skill in this direction this year.

Yale's Great Record.

"Yale has not lost a game under the new rules. Yale in fact has lost but two games in five years—to West Point in 1901 and to Princeton in 1903.

"In all her football history Harvard has won only three times from Yale and three times from Princeton.

"Yale has beaten Harvard twenty times, and Princeton has beaten Harvard eleven times.

"Yale has won seventeen games from Princeton, and Princeton has won nine games from Yale.

"Pennsylvania had the strength, speed, and skill, and knew more football than Cornell.

"The forward pass was the winning element in Yale, Carlisle, and Pennsylvania victories.

"The conference colleges of the west have set a high standard—its six cardinal virtues being: 1. No preliminary training season. 2. Intercollegiate competition restricted to undergraduates. 3. Freshmen barred. 4. No training table. 5. High classroom standing required. 6. Intercollegiate football restricted to five games in one season."

SOCCER TEAMS TO PLAY TODAY.

Game Scheduled Between Campbell Rovers and MacDuffs on Local Field—Two Contests at St. Louis.

Only one soccer match is scheduled for this afternoon, the Campbell Rovers meeting the MacDuffs at the West Side Driving park at 2:30 o'clock. These Scotch teams are great rivals, and as the match is not a league game the clubs will donate the receipts to the Scottish Old People's home.

Local fans are interested in the outcome of the games to be played at St. Louis this afternoon by the two Chicago teams now there. The fact that both St. Louis teams were able to break even with the Blues and Coal City elevens in their respective matches last Sunday speaks well for the skill of the Mound City players. The games were played under wretched weather conditions, which militated against good combination. With dry fields at least one of the Chicago teams should win today.

Following the Coal City and Hyde Park Blues the Chicago team goes to play at St. Louis on Sunday and New Year's day. Capt. Govier will have a strong side, including G. Archibald, A. Dixon, S. Govier, J. Watt, D. Thompson, P. Carragher, L. Linley, A. Shallcross, J. Shallcross, D. Williamson, and R. Maginell.

A. A. U. SEEKS STATUS OF ROSE.

President Sullivan Wants Charges Made by President Jordan Against the California Athlete Investigated.

New York, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Quick action has been taken in the matter of the standing of Ralph Rose, the former Michigan athlete, whose amateurism was impugned in a speech delivered by President Jordan of Leland Stanford Jr. university on Saturday before Occidental college at Los Angeles.

"Michigan has hired professionals, such as Ralph Rose," was one sentence. President Sullivan of the A. A. U. today gave Dr. Jordan an opportunity to prove at least this part of his statements when he sent a letter to R. S. Peixotto, president of the Pacific association of the A. A. U.

The letter asks Mr. Peixotto to call upon Jordan and "if he can give enough evidence to satisfy your committee then by all means cancel Rose's registration card." This action is requested because Rose now is registered as an amateur and is regarded as sure to be one of the American team for the Olympic games. Rose is the only person mentioned by Jordan with whom the A. A. U. has any concern.

DATE SET FOR OLYMPIC EVENT.

Golf Championships to Be Held in England on June 1, 2, and 3—Cup May Be Sent.

Local golf officials yesterday received word that the Olympian golf championship in connection with the Olympian games in England next summer would be held June 1, 2, and 3, at Sandwich, and Dead links in Kent. The team championship will be held on one course and the individual championship on the other.

It has been suggested that it would be a gracious act on the part of the Western Golf association, which now owns the play for cup, the Olympic cup, to send it over to England next year for competition. The cup, played for originally at St. Louis, is now held by the Metropolitan team, which won it last year at the national championship at Cleveland.

Should the W. G. A. act on this suggestion it may prove an incentive to a strong team from this country to cross the pond and compete.

CUE MEN TO PLAY AT NEW YORK.

Sutton and Morningstar Arrange for Next Contest to Decide the 18-2 Billiard Championship.

New York, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The match between George Sutton of Chicago and Ora Morningstar of New York for the 18-2 balk line billiard championship of the world will be played at New York City. Sutton, the holder of the title, agreed today to play here.

The champion favored San Francisco or Los Angeles for the match, owing to engagements taking him to the Pacific coast about the date of the match, but a rearrangement of his schedule enabled him to agree to Morningstar's request to play in the east.

Sutton is at present playing a series of exhibition matches with Jacob Schaefer, the 18-1 champion, in the upper part of New York state. He will return to this city shortly to begin practice for the match, which will be held the latter part of next month. Morningstar is at present playing at St. Louis. He will not come east until about a week before the engagement.

RUSSIAN LION TO MEET ROGERS.

George Hackenschmidt Signs to Wrestle Heavyweight for World's Championship.

[BY CABLE TO THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Articles were signed today for an international wrestling match for the world's championship between George Hackenschmidt, the present holder of the title, and Joe Rogers, the American heavyweight, now in this country.

The match will be under catch-as-catch-can rules, best two out of three falls. The contest is to be for $250 a side, plus the best purse offered for the contest. The winner will take two-thirds of the entire sum, the loser the remainder. No date has been set yet, but, according to the articles of agreement, any week day between Jan. 28 and 31 will be acceptable to the contestants.

It is expected several prominent promoters will enter bids for the match, and the total purse will amount to between $3,000 and $4,000.

DETROIT Y. M. C. A. BEATS YALE.

Eli Basketball Team Is Beaten in a Close and Roughly Played Game, 19 to 17.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Detroit Y. M. C. A. basketball tonight defeated Yale university, 19 to 17. The score at the end of the first half was 11 to 8 in favor of Detroit. Branson, Y. M. C. A. center, was put out of the game for rough playing after he had twice been warned. He threw a Yale man over his head and stunned him.

The lineup:

Y. M. C. A. (19).		Yale (17).
B. Johnson.		
Havill	Left forward	Clifford
Stockham	Right forward	Goodwin
Branson.		
B. Johnson	Center	Van Vleck
Hanna	Left guard	Noyes
C. Johnson	Right guard	Murphy, Eames.

Yale to Play at Y. M. C. A. Tonight.

The Yale university basketball team, which is touring the west, will meet the Central Y. M. C. A. five in the La Salle street gymnasium tonight. Alumni of Blue will be on hand to see the game.

Morrison Wins from Hull House.

Morrison, Ill., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The Hull house basketball team of Chicago was defeated here tonight by the Morrison regulars by a score of 53 to 25.

Maroon Five to Play at Des Moines.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The Chicago university basketball team will play the local Y. M. C. A. team here tomorrow night.

Cyclers Start 24 Hour Race.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 24.—Seven teams started at 8 o'clock tonight in a twenty-four hour bicycle race at the Park Square Coliseum. The men will take two hours off tomorrow morning between 8 and 10 o'clock. Special hour prizes will be given.

'TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE XMAS—OR THE PACKAGE PA BROUGHT HOME.

IN THE WAKE OF THE NEWS.

BY HEK.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

To all of those who've gone away
And those who stick about;
To all of those who have it all
And those who go without;
To all of those who like us much
And those who hate us most;
To all of those who stood for us
From pillar unto post;
To all of those who love the truth,
But hate to hear it told,
Who chide us when we would be meek
And roast us when we're bold;
To all of those who have a lot
And those who have to spare;
To all of those who care a lot
And those who do not care;
To everybody, anybody, whosoe'er he be
The guy who's right, the guy who's not
Just what he ought to be,
Greetings.

Gen. Nelson A. Miles, U. S. A. (retired), clad in a frieze, a fur cap, and wrapped to the chin in buffalo robes, is now pulling the lines over a trotting horse that gets its own in brushes over the snow speedway of Boston. Can you conjure up a grander finish than that for a grand old man?

No matter how long they stay away they always come back. Peter A. Brady, who retired from the turf twenty years ago, is standing behind one of the slates at New Orleans.

The stout gentleman who alighted from a New York train yesterday was none other than John Parnell McInerny, one of the largest (in point of size) bookmakers in the country. His purpose here was simply to decorate the grave of past performances.

We are in a position to publish an exclusive interview with John W. Gates relative to the Durnell affair, the same being as follows:

"Mr. Gates, do you think that if Mr. Durnell was born on Friday they would have canned him on Thursday?"

"As to that," answered Mr. Gates, guardedly, "I am at liberty to state we are having lovely weather for this time of the year."

"But on the other hand, Mr. Gates, do you suppose the Jockey club would tell Mr. Durnell that his presence was not desirable unless it had something on him?"

Mr. Gates took the question under advisement for a few minutes and then answered significantly: "I don't see how a man can reach Ashland avenue by taking a Cottage Grove avenue car."

Not that it cuts much figure, but the fact that Walter Camp has given the west a nibble in his analysis of football expertitis encourages us in the belief that the broad territory west of the Allegheny mountains has not existed all these years in vain.

On his way from Los Angeles to New York John Boden, secretary of the New York racing commission, cast off about half a dozen typewritten pages, which no doubt we will find of interest when we get around to them.

SAVANNAH MAY GET AUTO RACES

Officials of the A. A. A. Find Conditions at the Georgia City Suitable for Proposed Stock Car Events.

Members of the executive board of the American Automobile association will meet in New York on Saturday for the purpose of considering the rules for the stock car race drafted by the rules committee of the A. A. A. technical board at Buffalo, which was attended by Chairman M. H. Van Sicklen and Secretary David Beecroft of this city.

As a result of this Buffalo session there has been a change in the plans of the national organization regarding the stock car races. It has been found impossible to secure permission to run the races over Indiana roads, as the legislature does not convene this winter. Chairman Van Sicklen, Secretary Elliott of the A. A. A., and F. G. Webb of the national racing board recently visited Savannah, Ga., and pronounced it a favorable site.

If Savannah is selected for stock car races the meet probably will take place the week or possibly the second week after the Ormond meet, and the city of Savannah will give handsome trophies for each of the races run off. The entrance fee in each race will not exceed $500 and all events will be from 150 to 300 miles.

It is claimed there is no other course in the country that would be available for road racing in the early spring, and those who have inspected the course declare it to be ideal for the purpose. It is practically twenty miles in length, while in addition there is a ten mile course that can be used for shorter races.

COLUMBIA IS CHESS CHAMPION.

Wins Annual Intercollegiate Tournament with 9½ Points—Yale Second and Princeton Third.

New York, Dec. 24.—Columbia emerged as easy winner from the sixteenth annual intercollegiate chess tournament, which came to a conclusion here tonight. The New Yorkers finished with a total score of 9½ points out of a possible 12. Yale came second, but three points behind. Yale was credited with 6¼ points and Princeton with 4½. Harvard, nine times winner of the cup, brought up the rear for the first time with a total score of 3½ points as the result of the three days' play. The members of the winning team were Capt. L. J. Wolff, H. Blumberg, R. C. Ramsdell, and G. F. Comstock.

CASPAR WHITNEY'S ALL-AMERICAN ELEVENS.

First team.	Positions.	Second team.
Houser, Carlisle	Full back	McCormick, Princeton
Wendell, Harvard	Half back	Hollenback, Pennsylvania
Coy, Yale	Half back	Douglas, Annapolis
Jones, Yale	Quarter back	Dillon, Princeton
Grant, Harvard	Center	Schulz, Michigan
Erwin, West Point	Guard	Thompson, Cornell
Ziegler, Pennsylvania	Guard	Burr, Harvard
Draper, Pennsylvania	Tackle	Weeks, West Point
Biglow, Yale	Tackle	O'Rourke, Cornell
Wister, Princeton	End	McDonald, Harvard
Exendine, Carlisle	End	Alcott, Yale

"HANS" WAGNER ON WARPATH.

Quack Physicians Send Another Carload of Medicines to Cure Ball Player's Rheumatism.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—"It won't be a Merry Christmas for the friend who betrayed me to the newspapers if I get him. It's bad enough to have rheumatism in the salary shoulder, but to have every quack in the world know about it is worse."

Hans Wagner, the world famed ball player made this remark today when he received another carload of patent medicines sent by kind persons to fix up the rheumatism. Some time ago it was mentioned that Wagner was having a mild attack of rheumatism in his shoulder and he asked the Pittsburg club to allow him to lay off for the whole season. This was published all over the country, when, according to Wagner, every tenth person in the United States got busy sending him suggestions, circulars, sample bottles, bundles of herbs, etc.

The heavy work of handling the rheumatism remedies fell to the offices of the Pittsburg ball club. By this evening one whole side of one of the offices was piled up with remedies for Wagner. The "Flying Dutchman" having scented trouble, refused to come near the office.

GRACE G. WINS THE HANDICAP.

Favorite, Well Backed, Finishes First in a Canter—Red Leaf Choice for Christmas Event.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Grace G. captured the handicap this afternoon in a canter. She was a well backed favorite. The track was holding, still a fair percentage of favorites scored.

Red Leaf is regarded as the likely winner of the Christmas handicap tomorrow. Glen Echo and Edwin Gum have been shipped from Los Angeles, but are not expected to cut much figure. Edwin Gum was a good horse out here last year, but his recent form has been indifferent.

W. B. Jennings is to ship his entire stable to Santa Anita on Saturday. Summaries:

First race, Futurity course, selling—Chotk Hedrick, 127 pounds [Kirschbaum], 7 to 1, won; E. M. Grattain, 107 [Dugan], 6 to 1, second; H. H. Sheehan, 120 [Davis], 13 to 2, third. Time, 1:14. Dick Wilson, Chancellor Walworth, E. D. H., Cleverland, Salvadale, and Trycombell ran.

Second race, ¾ mile, purse—Marian Casey, 116 pounds [Dugan], 2 to 1, won; Sophomore, 100 [Carroll], 12 to 1, second; Alice P., 107 [Miller], 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:17 1-5. Bravours, Seklaw, Lady Irene, Carmelina, Compound Interest, For L., and Grace Marie ran.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles, selling—Judge Nelson, 105 pounds [Rice], even, won; Fulletta, 108 [Lynch], 18 to 5, second; Senator Wagner, 94 [J. Butler], 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:50 2-5. Corrigan and Paladini ran.

Fourth race, ¾ mile, Walnut Creek handicap—Grace G., 98 pounds [Lynch], even, won; Johnny Lyons, 100 [Hayes], 9 to 2, second; Sir Elmwood, 105 [Davis], 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 4-5. Deutschland ran. The Mist threw his rider.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 50 yards—Capt. Hale, 108 pounds [Carroll], 7 to 2, won; Sandover, 104 [J. Powers], 18 to 5, second; Silver Wedding, 100 [Davis], 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:48 3-5. Bentvolio, Lampadrome, Fury, Ira S., Daniel C., Heilsme, and Tonic ran.

Sixth race, 1 mile, purse—Castile, 106 pounds [Gilbert], 9 to 5, won; Bardonia, 105 [J. McIntyre], 12 to 1, second; Vronsky, 99 [Hayes], 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:43. Sauvil, Hand Me Down, Last Go, Banford, Old Daddy, Bobby Shafto, Pluvia, and Morenond ran.

ENTRIES.

First race, ¾ mile, selling—Dr. Sherman, 111 pounds; Lovey Mary, 111; Belfour, 111; Ethel Abbott, 111; Nancy W., 107; Wimple, 107; Ruinita, 107; La Rose, 107; Rosy Light, 107; Yank, 107; Elba, 106; Cherips, 106.

Second race, 1¼ miles, selling—King of Mist, 105 pounds; Graphite, 106; Byronerdale, 106; Iras, 101; Tetanus, 92.

Third race, ¾ mile, selling—Herodotus, 115 pounds; Nappa, 100; Hersain, 100; Koenigin Luise, 100; Bantam, 100; Ambitious, 100; L. C. Ackeriey, 100; Duke of Orleans, 107; Melar, 106; Beechwood, 106; Big Store, 102; Bertie A., 102.

Fourth race, 1¼ miles, the Christmas handicap, $3,000 added—Peter Sterling, 119 pounds; Rubric, 112; A. Muskoday, 110; Glen Echo, 109; Edwin Gum, 106; Red Leaf, 103; Legatee, 98; Wing Ting, 97; Miss Officious, 96.

Fifth race, 1 mile, selling—Lazell, 109 pounds; Jake Moose, 106; Nabonassar, 106; Warte Nicht, 101; Mill Song, 100; Royal Scot, 100; Miss May, 100; Bowdish, 96; Isabelite, 97; Invader, 96; Bonar, 96; Santa Ray, 91; Boloman, 91.

Sixth race, ½ mile, the Hayward's handicap, 2 year olds—Palmetta, 110 pounds; College Widow, 112; Love of Gold, 106; Adena, 104; Dareington, 100; Follie L., 100; Sombro, 90; Braggart, 98; Othmar, 90.

FAVORITES WIN AT LOS ANGELES.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 24.—Four favorites and a second choice were the winners of five races at Santa Anita today. Avontelles, the favorite in the third event, was well ridden by Burns, and won in the last sixteenth, after wafting within striking distance to that point. Lord Nelson, at 20 to 1, was the surprise of the day. Summaries:

First race, ⅞ mile—Gateway, 102 [Hertz], 11 to 10, won; Big Russell, 100 [G. Burns], 11 to 5, second; Sherry, 109 [Kuns], 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:26 4-5. Rubinoff and Almonte ran.

Second race, ¾ mile—Kane Swift, 107 [G. Burns], 5 to 2, won; Laudable, 107 [Goldstein], 10 to 1, second; Harvel, 116 [Preston], 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:00. Senbrier, Booger, Red B. Oldfield, M. Fairbanks, and Harvey Clark ran.

Third race, 1¼ miles—Avantallus, 103 [Burns], 13 to 5, won; Ella, 103 [Schilling], 10 to 1, second; Cork Hill, 108 [Goldstein], 12 to 1, third. Time, 2:07. Honey O., Rip Rap, Primero, Needful, Taby Tosa, Invisible, L. Hessinger, and O. Wade ran.

Fourth race, ¾ mile—Scarfell, 103 [McCarthy], 8 to 1, won; Tea Cress, 107 [G. Burns], 9 to 5, second; Interlude, 107 [McBride], 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:00 3-5. Bryan, R. Delmunde, M. Modesty, and Chicora Maid ran.

Fifth race, ¾ mile—Lord Nelson, 107 [Buxton], 20 to 1, won; Gov. Ormani, 102 [Preston], 10 to 1, second; Escanado, 107 [McBride], 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:00. Orilene, Lord of Forest, Canardo, Jack Kerschaville, and Mary Glenn ran.

Sixth race, 11-16 mile—Hereafter, 107 [Preston], 3 to 5, won; Old Dominick, 107 [C. Schilling], 7 to 1, second; Kirkfield Belle, 102 [Bair], 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:06. Don Hart, Daisy Frost, Master Lester, Old Colony, Winsome Ways, Red Mill, and Commada ran.

New Orleans Entries.

First race, 11-16 mile, selling—Dick Rose, 97 pounds; The Thorn, 99; Sainesaw, Lexington Lady, Inauguration, Bosom Friend, 100; Balta, 102; Thomas Calhoun, 103; Prophet, Sabado, 103; Truro, Tea Leaf, 104; Orlandot, Severus, 105; Lute Foster, 107.

Second race, ¾ mile, selling—Fay, 94 pounds; Raibert, Bertha, 99; Belle Strome, 101; Artful Dodger, 101; Coon, Fantastic, Handsarra, 104; Meadow Breeze, Orly II., 106.

Third race, ¾ mile, handicap—Lavatrina, 93 pounds; Brimmer, 100; Dew of Dawn, 101; Tartar Maid, 104; Miss Delaney, 107; Woodland, 110; Ray Thompson, 116.

Fourth race, 1 1-16 miles, the Christmas handicap, $1,500 added—Hanbridge, 87 pounds; St. Ilario, 95; Sally Preston, 98; Yankee Girl, 102; Faust, 104; Zipango, 105; Temaceo, Oraculum, 107; Hyperion II., 108; Alma Dufour, 109; Lad of Langdon, 110; Old Hopesty, 111; Tileling, Plantland, 112; Carthage, 114; Pasadena, 115; Lord Eater, 116.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Halbard, 91 pounds; Tivolini, 97; Anna Fitzhugh, Oberon, Pride of Woodstock, Flaviguy, 99; Sally Preston, 100; Monacodor, Approbation, 102; Okenite, Gambrinus, 104; The Clansman, 107.

Sixth race, 1¼ miles, selling—Doubt, Elaine, 90 pounds; Elfall, 95; King of the Valley, Nine, 99; Grace Larsen, Milshora, 100; First Mason, John McBride, Horse Radish, Footlights Favorite, 104; Amber Jack, 107; Agile, Vincentio, 112.

JUMPING HORSES IN FARCICAL RACE

Eleven Start in Hurdle Event at City Park; Five Finish Without Mishap.

BANK HOLIDAY IS FIRST.

Feature Number, a Mile Condition Affair, Is Easy for Coltness.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—In compliance with repeated requests from owners of jumping horses, the City Park Jockey club today offered a hurdle race at a mile and a quarter as one of the features of the program.

No more farcical affair ever could have been seen at a racecourse, and all it served was burlesque. Eleven supposedly well tried jumpers started. Five of them completed the course without mishap. It was evident from the time the field reached the first jump there would be trouble, but somehow they all scrambled over. At the second hurdle, which was almost directly in front of the stand, Magic, the betting favorite, steered across to get to the inside of the fence and tossed his rider over into the ditch, and at the same time caused Lindale on Itacatiara to fall.

Two Horses in Ditch.

At the next jump Peter Becker, Pete Vinegar, and Modredlaw tried to repeat Magic's performance, and the first two named succeeded in getting into the ditch with their riders. After all this had happened Bank Holiday, 30 to 1, got to the front under a steadying hold, followed by Bob Murphy and Aules, each at 25 to 1, and they managed to stagger around to the finish. Lindale and Modredlaw were remounted, and the former managed to get around after awhile, but Modredlaw again came to grief at the last hurdle. It would seem the management of the two tracks will wait some time before another opportunity will be given the cross country gentry.

Considering it was Christmas eve, when the attendance naturally should have been light, the crowd today was of generous proportions and speculation for the twenty-nine books was correspondingly good. The track had dried out considerably and the going was fairly good, although the time recorded was slow. The feature number was a mile condition race that had for its best starters Coltness, Dainty Belle, and Donna. They were choices in the betting in that order, and that was the order in which they finished. Coltness, but recently returned to his best form, had speed enough to get to the front early and opened a long lead. When Sumter was ready he simply galloped to the finish three lengths ahead, while Dainty Belle and Donna got their positions just as easily.

Another Chance for Jumpers.

Beside the hurdle race the jumpers were given another opportunity in the high weight selling race, at five furlongs, that stood first on the program. In this Kilidoe, the favorite, ridden by Notter, scored an easy victory. High Wind, some thing of a good thing in the betting, ridden by Mahoney, who made his first appearance in the saddle after a rest of about two weeks, showed in front to the stretch, but there had to give way to Kilidoe.

Rebel Queen, at a long price, spoiled the calculations of the good thing players in the third race, when she won handily from Ketchemike and Rustle. The latter was the favorite, and was knocked out of the running at the start, while the Jockey on Ed Kane, also well backed, lost a stirrup at the start and had to pull up.

Close finishes marked the fifth and sixth races, but the margins of Clara Huron and Glamor were wide enough to prevent question.

Jockey Notter was fined $50 for striking Skirvin during the running of the third race. Skirvin drew a $10 impost for retaliating after the race was over.

New Orleans Summaries.

First race, 11-16 mile, selling—Kilidoe, 139 pounds [Notter], 7 to 5, won; Highwind, 130 [Nicoll], 7 to 1, second; Creel, 139 [Koerner], 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:11 3-5. Tetina, Florenthe, Profane, Weberfields, and Alcor ran.

Second race, 1¼ miles, over hurdles—Bank Holiday, 140 pounds [H. Pierce], 30 to 1, won; Bob Murphy, 151 [McClain], 25 to 1, second; Aules, 146 [Sobel], 25 to 1, third. Time, 2:28 2-5. Sam Hoffheimer, Coal Black Lady, and Lindale ran. Modredlaw unseated rider. Peter Becker, Magic, Pete Vinegar, and Itacatiara fell.

Third race, ¾ mile, selling—Rebel Queen, 104 pounds [Baker], 10 to 1, won; Ketchemike, 109½ [McDaniel], 5 to 1, second; Rustle, 108 [Notter], 11 to 10, third. Time, 1:17 1-5. Anasonia, Ethel Carr, Ed Kane, Agnes Donohue, Cuclass, Paternal, Apple Toddy, Bayou Lark, and Moscow Belle ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile—Coltness, 98 pounds [Sumter], even, won; Dainty Belle, 108 [Notter], 13 to 5, second; Donna, 104 [Hennessy], 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:44. Meredith, Just So, and Avaunteer ran.

Fifth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Clara Huron, 98½ pounds [Swain], 13 to 5, won; Algera, 92 [Turnbaugh], 16 to 1, second; Uncle Oakland, 110 [Troxler], 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:51 2-5. Mystiades, Katie Powers, Lady Charade, Edith M., Golden Pin, Pomolique, Peter Nathaniel, Lorenzo, O., Mr. McCarty, Sea Worthy, and Broken Melody ran.

Sixth race, 1 mile and 70 yards, selling—Glamor, 96 pounds [Sumter], 7 to 1, won; Deniree, 100 [Baker], 3½ to 1, second; Anna Day, 110 [Joerner], 6½ to 1, third. Time, 1:50 4-5. John McBride, Water Dog, Charlie Thompson, Duchess of Montebello, Grenade, Prince of Pless, and St. Noel ran.

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TOMMY BURNS BUSY FIGHTER

Champion Scheduled to Battle Jim Roche in Dublin.

HEAVYWEIGHT IN GOODLUCK

Ketchell Makes Bold Statement When He Challenges Joe Gans.

BY GEORGE SILER.

Tommy Burns, heavyweight champion of the world, and Jim Roche, champion of Ireland, practically have been matched to fight in Dublin on March 17 next. The match, according to dispatches, is for $2,500 a side and a guaranteed purse of $7,500. Tommy's match with Jack Palmer, to take place in London in February, will keep him before the English and Irish public for the next three months, which to Tommy means a lot of money.

In Burns' case it seems better to be born lucky than rich, as he finds it impossible to evade the good things that are being handed at him. Three weeks ago he fell into a bunch of money by defeating "Gunner" Moir. Then followed more of the money sought for stuff by his receiving an eight weeks' theatrical engagement at $1,000 a week. Before he received his first week's salary Jack Palmer forced himself into a match for a good round sum of money, and now comes the Roche pickup.

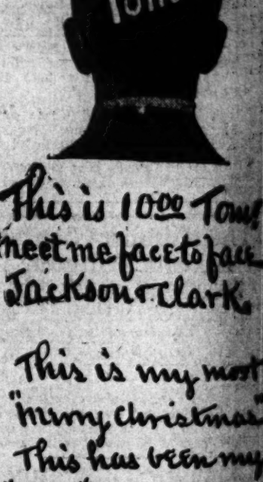
There was a time, and not so long ago, that fighters labored under the false impression they could not earn their salt on the other side of the Atlantic unless chaperoned by some famous manager. Burns, however, has demonstrated that it is ability to furnish the goods and brains enough to convince the English public that one is not misrepresenting that will get the money. Tommy crossed the big pond to meet Moir accompanied by a man named Neal, unknown to the managerial world, and, judging by Tommy's success, it seems to understand his business. The pleasing feature of his handling the champion is he keeps himself in the background and permits Burns to receive all the credit.

The match with Roche will keep Tommy abroad until late in March and, presumably, he will be grilled for taking on a trial champion instead of returning to this country to fight Jack Johnson. The latter finds it difficult to secure a match, the fruits of one being too good in his profession.

Stanley Ketchell, the coast fighter now visiting at Grand Rapids, Mich., makes the statement that he does not fear the colored fighter, Joe Gans, and that he will take him on at 145 pounds, his legitimate weight. That was a bold statement, considering that Gans is a 133 pound man and repeatedly has stated he would not fight out of his class. If Ketchell has not drawn the color line he will find it an easy matter to secure a match with Peter "Tommy" Burns, who recently defeated "Gunner" Jim Moir before the National Sporting club and Jem Roche, the Irish champion. The fight, which will take place at Dublin probably on March 17, is for $2,500 a side and a purse of $5,000.

Moran Is Close to Weight.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 24.—It was announced today that Owen Moran, the English featherweight champion, will have no trouble in reducing his weight to 120 pounds before his contest with Abe Attell on New Year's day. He now weighs 121½ pounds and is in fine condition. Attell also can easily make the required weight.



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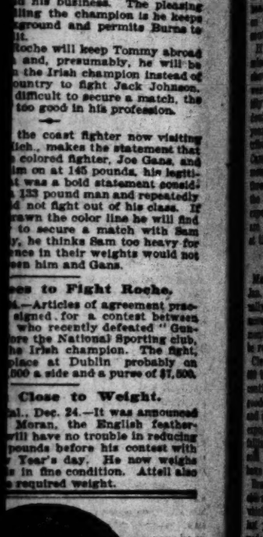

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Sharp Advances Are Scored at Close of Dull Session.

PIT OFFERINGS ARE SCANTY.

Heavy Arrivals of Corn and Oats Help Check Bullish Sentiment.

Trade in wheat was of a holiday character, with the strength shown late in the session, due more to lack of offerings than to any big buying. The start was easy, influenced by the lower Liverpool cables and the more cheerful advices from South America, but a few orders in the hands of commission houses developed the fact that few of the traders wanted to go home short over the holiday, and prices were marked up briskly. Offerings throughout were scanty, and moderately bullish advices from different sources helped to boost values. Resting prices were ⅞@1⅛c higher.

Business in the English market, which had but half a session, was due to the better turn of affairs in Argentina and to the freer offerings from that country. Demand for cash wheat abroad was light, and Liverpool spot markets showed a decline of ½d. This had a weakening influence here, and prices eased off materially. Few cables were received direct from the Argentine, but what advices trickled in were bearish. English advices, however, were to the effect the crop has already been oversold, and the local crowd were not disposed to sell wheat on the strength of Argentine promises with the same alacrity as a few days ago. Local longs who took profits on the advance last week and on Monday were cautiously reinstating their lines, preferring to keep a little wheat over Christmas. Bad reports were received from India, where the crop in the northwest was said to be in a bad way, but the advices were a little stale and had but little effect except in accentuating the strong tone.

Farmers Selling More Freely.

Present high prices have induced the farmer to loosen up a little and let a few parcels of his hoarded grain come on the market, but with a better cash demand current receipts would not be burdensome. The next two or three days have been larger offerings of winter wheat, but it is not expected the movement will be more than fair, so many have been the drains already made on the hard and soft winter stocks in the northwest.

If the bulls are not wrong in their surmise the situation in the northwest will show a marked change in the next few weeks. Supplies have been piling up rapidly for several weeks and are now nearly twice what they were at the same time a year ago at the principal northwestern distributing centers both in this country and Canada. Well posted and conservative grain operating big lines of elevators in the three northwest states are of the opinion the heavy stocks have been secured at the expense of interior elevator supplies, which are said to be at the lowest point in years at this time.

Interior Elevators to Close.

Many of the interior elevators will be closed Jan. 1, and with receipts falling off gradually from this time on and the mills running none of their capacity than for the past month or so it is asserted the conditions will be reversed.

Clearances for the day approximated 1,000,000 bu. The heavy exports are expected to continue all through this month, or until a good proportion of the large stocks at Buffalo and other eastern points are worked off, when exporters say the clearances will show a big falling off. It is said that most of the wheat sold for December-January shipment will have been cleared by the end of December.

Bradstreet's statement of the world's available supply showed a decrease of 1,143,000 bu, when compared with 3,517,000 bu decrease last year. The foreign crop summary was decidedly bullish, showing unfavorable winter conditions in some countries. Grading of Winnipeg wheat was considered poor, and it was stated a large percentage of wheat is being sold at low prices on account of being frosted. Little was done in cash circles here, but the seaboard reported a better inquiry for Manitoba wheat, and sales of 168,000 bu. Primary receipts were 700,000 bu.

Corn Market Is Congested.

The corn market is congested and attempts of the local professionals, most of whom are bullish, to break prices meet with poor success. The bull leaders left the market to take care of itself yesterday, and in spite of the heavy receipts and predictions of better weather throughout the belt it gave a fair account of itself. Little of the corn coming in is of contract grade, while a large proportion is low grade stuff, which was slow sale with sample prices for this kind 2c lower. Better grades were ½c lower. The cut is taking hold slowly. Receipts were 91 cars, with 372 cars expected tomorrow. Trade was mostly professional and the close showed little change, final figures being ⅛@⅜ to ½c higher.

Seaboard clearances were larger than usual 400,000 bu, largely via Baltimore. Six boats were taken for export. The world's available supply increased 517,000 bu. Local shipping sales, 50,000 bu.

Oats Weak at the Start.

Cash houses were again heavy sellers of oats at the start, with the demand light, owing moderate recessions. When wheat closed there was fair commission house buying and covering by shorts, which rallied prices to about the previous close, changes for the day being small. Receipts were heavy, 429 cars, with 242 cars expected tomorrow. Arrivals in the northwest were also liberal. The quality of the receipts in the northwest were said to be much better than earlier in the season. Cash demand moderate, with prices for sample oats ½@1½c lower, and sales 155,000 bu. The primary movement was large—1,015,000 bu.

Hog Products Under Pressure.

Provisions were lower, influenced by the lower prices at the yards, liberal receipts at western points—71,000—and the light speculative demand. Another unfavorable factor was the depression in foreign markets. Liverpool was 6d lower on lard and 1s lower on ribs and Cumberland sides. Outsiders were on the selling side, mostly of long stuff. Packers were good sellers of lard and shippers sold pork and ribs. About the only demand came from shorts. Cash demand, both export and domestic, was poor. Estimated hog receipts for tomorrow, 33,000.

Rye Prices Are Firm.

Rye prices were firmly held. December closed at 78c and May at 85c. No. 2 sold at 76c. No. 3 at 75@78c, and No. 4 at 65c f. o. b. Receipts were 8 cars. Sales for shipment were 15,000 bu.

Barley was dull, but prices were without material change. Malting was quoted 80 @90c; feed, 65@70c, and screenings, 40@65c. Receipts were 77 cars.

Flaxseed was firm. No. 1 northwestern closed at $1.15½. No. 1 from the northwest, $1.14½. No. 1 southwestern, $1.05½, and rejected, $1.00@1.00. Local receipts, 1 car.

Timothy seed was steady. December closed at $4.30@4.35 and March at $4.70; country was $3.70@4.20.

Clover seed was unchanged. December closed at $16.50 and cash lots at $11.00@15.50.

Range of Active Futures.

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Dec. 24.	Close Dec. 23.
May	97⅞	98⅜	97⅛	98⅜	97⅛
July	1.04⅝–¾	1.06⅛	1.04⅝	1.05⅞–6	1.05
Sept	97–⅜	98½	97	98¾	97¼

CORN.

Dec	57	57	56⅝	57	57¼
May	57⅜–⅝	58⅛	56⅝	58–⅛	57⅜
July	56⅝–¾	57½	56⅝	57¼	56⅝

OATS.

Dec old	48⅝	49	48¼	48⅞	48¼
Dec new	47¾	48¼	47¾	48⅛	47¾
May old	51⅜	53⅛–2	51⅜	52⅝	52¼
May new	47⅛	47½	47	47½	47¼
July new	45¼	45¾	45	45¼	45

MESS PORK.

Jan	12.45	12.45	12.42½	12.45	12.65
May	13.07½	13.10	13.00	13.05	13.12½

LARD.

Jan	7.70	7.70	7.62½	7.65	7.72½
May	7.82½	7.82½	7.75	7.77½	7.85

SHORT RIBS.

Jan	6.72½	6.72½	6.62½	6.67½	6.72½
May	7.05	7.07½	7.00	7.02½	7.07½

Grain Inspection.

	No. 2 or better.	Standard.	No. 3	Lower grades.	Tot—l
Spring wheat	2	...	7	8	17
Durum wheat	1	...	4	3	8
Corn	21	...	163	443	627
Oats	15	9	230	155	409
Rye	5	...	2	1	8
Barley	9	...	12	56	77
Totals	67	9	456	675	1,207

Inspected out: Wheat—No. 2 red, 13,151 bu; new, 44,000 bu; No. 3 red, new, 1,914 bu. Corn—No. 3, 5,607 bu. Oats—Standard, 1,350 bu. Rye—No. 2, 1,648 bu. Loaded from unlicensed elevators: Wheat—Winter, 14 cars No. 2 hard, 16 cars No. 2 red. Corn—9 cars No. 2 yellow, 92 cars No. 3 yellow, 7 cars No. 3 white, 1 car and 5,000 bu No. 2, 18 cars No. 3. Oats—8 cars standard, 5 cars No. 3 white, 2 cars No. 4 white.

Primary Movement.

	Wheat—Rects.	Shpmts.	Corn—Rects.	Shpmts.
Yesterday	700,000	852,000	1,075,00	500,000
Last week	943,000	285,000	670,000	447,000
Last year	Holiday			

Daily Indemnities.

	Ups—			Downs—		
Wheat.	High.	Low.	Close.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	1.07⅜	1.06⅜	1.07¼	*1.06⅜	1.05	*1.05⅝
Corn—						
May	58⅝	*58¼	*58⅝	57⅞	*57⅜	*57⅞
Oats—						
May	53⅝	†53⅛	†53⅝	53¼	*53⅛	*53⅛

*Sellers. †Bid.

Weekly Indemnities.

	Ups.	Good all next week. Downs.
Wheat—		
May	.01.11	$1.01¼
Corn—		
May	.60⅜	.56
Oats—		
May	.55½	.51

Cash Produce Transactions.

FLOUR—Steady. Winter wheat patents, jute, $4.35@4.50; straight, jute, $4.10@4.25; clear, jute, $3.60@3.80; spring wheat flour, favorite brands, $6.25; Minneapolis hard patents, jute, $5.20@5.40; Minneapolis, hard, straight, spring [export bags], $4.75@4.90; clear [export bags], $4.00@4.85; second clear [export bags], $3.10@3.20; rye [export bags], $3.90@4.40.

WINTER WHEAT—½c higher. Sales in store and to go: No. 2 red, 10,000 bu on p. t. Free on board, switched and delivered: No grade red, 75c; No. 2 hard, $1.06⅞. Illinois proportional: No. 4 red, 82@92c; No. 3 red, 98½@99½c; No. 4 hard, 81@85c; No. 3 hard, 99½c; No. 2 hard, $1.01¼@1.02⅛; No. 3 white, 98½c.

SPRING WHEAT—Lower. Sales free on board, switched and delivered: No. 4, $1.00@1.05; No. 3, $1.01@1.08; No. 2 northern, $1.06.

CORN—½@2c lower. Sales in store and to go: Mixed lots, 50,000 bu p. t. Sales on track and free on board: No grade, 40@50c; No. 4, 50@54c; No. 4 yellow, 51@54c; No. 3, 54@59½c; No. 3 yellow, 55@56c; No. 2, 57@60c; No. 2 yellow, 62@62½c; No. 4 white, 50c; No. 2 white, 59c; cars, 50@57c. Illinois proportional: No grade, 45@50c; No. 4, 51½@54c; No. 4 yellow, 50@54c; No. 3, 54@60c; No. 3 yellow, 54@56c; No. 2 yellow, 62@63½c; No. 4 white, 51@52c; No. 3 white, 53¾@54c; No. 2 white, 58c.

OATS—½@1½c lower. Sales in store and to go: White clipped, 155,000 bu on p. t. Sales on track and free on board: No grade, 42@43c; No. 4 white, 45@46c; No. 3, 46c; No. 3 white, 46@50c; standard, 49c. Illinois proportional: No. 4, 46@46¾c; No. 4 white, 45@45¼c; No. 3, 48c; No. 3 white, 47¾@49c.

RYE—Firm. Sales free on board: No. 2, 79½c; No. 3, 75@78c; No. 4, 65@66c.

BARLEY—Dull. Sales free on board or switched: Screenings, 45@63c; barley, 70@95c.

PROVISIONS—Weak. Cash lots: Mess pork, $12.00@12.12½; lard, $7.80; short ribs, $6.62½@7.12½.

BEEF PRODUCTS—Quiet and steady. Prices quotable as follows: Beef hams, $22.00@22.50; extra mess beef, $10.50@11.00; plate beef, $11.50@12.00; extra plate beef, $12.00@13.00. Tallow steady at 5¼@5¾c for edible; 5¼@5½c for prime packers; 4¾@5¼c for No. 1 do, and 4¼@4¾c for No. 2 do; 4¾@5c for No. 1 renderers, 5¾@5½c for choice country, 4½@4¾c for No. 2 do. Oleostearine in fair demand and quotably steady at 7½@7¾c.

GREASE—Quiet. 4@4½c for brown, 4½@4¾c for yellow, 4½@4¾c for house, 5@5½c for B white, 5¼@5½c for A white, and 5¼@5½c for choice white.

COOPERAGE—Ash pork brls, $1.10@1.12½; oak pork brls, $1.10@1.30.

WHISKY—Steady on a basis of $1.35 for finished goods.

HAY—Dull. Receipts, 1,261 tons; shipments, 82 tons. Choice timothy hay quotable at $16.00 @17.00; No. 1 timothy, $13.00@14.00; No. 2 timothy and No. 1 mixed, $11.50@12.00; No. 3 timothy and No. 2 mixed, $10.00@11.00. Kansas and Indian territory prairie, choice, $12.00@12.50; No. 1, $10.00@11.00; No. 2, $9.50@10.00. Iowa, Minnesota, Nebraska, and Dakota prairie, choice, $10.00@10.50; No. 1, $8.00@10.00; lower grades, $8.50@9.00.

STRAW—Rye, $8.00@8.50; wheat, $6.50@7.00; oat, $7.00@7.50.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, single brls, 40c; 5 brl lots, 39c. Boiled, single brls, 41c; 5 brl lots, 40c.

IN WORLD'S PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Receipts, 271,000 bu; exports, 199,436 bu. Spot firm; No. 2 red, $1.06 elevator; No. 2 red, $1.06½ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.23½ f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.17¼ f. o. b. afloat. Options closed 1c net higher; December, $1.07@1.07⅛, closed $1.07¼; May, $1.11¾@1.12 9-16, closed $1.12½; July, $1.04½ @1.05⅝, closed $1.05⅝.

CORN—Receipts, 11,825 bu; exports, 530 bu. Spot firm; No. 2 elevator, 72c, and 66c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 66½, and No. 2 yellow nominal, f. o. b. afloat. Options closed ⅛c net higher. December closed 71c, May closed 67c.

Oats—Receipts, 106,500 bu; exports, 275 bu. Spot easy; mixed oats, 26@32 lbs, 54c; natural white, 26@32 lbs, 56¼@58c; clipped white, 32@40 lbs, 57@68c.

Cotton seed oil—Firm; prime crude, 29@29½c; do yellow, 37½@38c.

Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining, 3.30@3.35c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.85c; molasses sugar, 3.00@ 3.05c; refined quiet.

Quotations on Coffee.

Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio No. 7, 6¼c; Santos No. 4, 8c; mild coffee quiet; Cordova, 9½@13c. Future opened steady and closed steady unchanged to 5 points lower. Sales were 5,250.

	Open.	High.	Low	Close Dec. 24.	Close Dec. 23.
December	5.55	5.60	5.55	5.60	5.65
January	5.55	5.60	5.55	5.60	5.60
March	5.75	5.80	5.75	5.75	5.75
May	5.85	5.90	5.85	5.85	5.85
July	5.90	5.95	5.90	5.95	5.95

Quotations on Cotton.

Cotton—Spot closed steady; middling uplands, $11.70; middling gulf, $11.95; sales, 400 bales. Future opened steady and closed steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Dec. 24.	Close Dec. 23.
December	10.99	11.03	10.99	11.01	11.06
January	10.26	10.33	10.26	10.31	10.32
March	10.51	10.56	10.49	10.53	10.54
May	10.53	10.61	10.52	10.56	10.54
July	10.54	10.58	10.50	10.54	10.55

Cotton in Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 24.—Cotton—Spot, small business done; prices 10 points lower; American middling, fair, 6.66d; good middling, 6.30d; middling, 6.04d; low middling, 5.70d; good ordinary, 5.28d; ordinary, 4.78. Sales were 3,000 bales. Receipts, 44,000 bales, including 38,800 American. Futures opened easier and closed steady.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 24.—Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 8¼d; futures steady; December nominal; March, 7s 11¾d; May, 7s 10⅝d. Corn—Spot firm; prime mixed American new, 5s 4½d; prime mixed American old, 5s 6d; futures quiet; December nominal; January, 5s 3½d.

Western Grain Markets.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 24.—Close: Wheat—No. 1 hard, on track, $1.09¼; to arrive, No. 1 northern, $1.07¾; No. 2 northern, $1.06¼; on track, No. 1 northern, $1.07¾; No. 2 northern, $1.06¼; December, $1.05¼; May, $1.12¾; No. 3 northern, in store, $1.05¼; No. 2 northern, in store, $1.03. Durum—On track, N. 1, 88¼c; No. 2, 86¼c; December, 86c; May, 93c. Oats—To arrive, 48c; on track, 48c. Rye, 71@75c. Barley, 65@90c. Flax—May, $1.18¾. Cars inspected—Wheat, 196; last year, 147. Corn, 12. Barley, 18. Flax, 481; last year, 82. Receipts—Wheat, 133,419 bu; oats, 18,109 bu; barley, 5,532 bu; rye, 5,097 bu; flax, 33,157 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 1,182 bu; flax, 8,120 bu.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 24.—May wheat closed at $1.11⅜; July at $1.12¼@1.12⅝. Closing cash: On track, No. 1 hard, $1.10½; No. 1 northern, $1.08⅛; No. 1 northern to arrive, $1.07¾; No. 2 northern, $1.06; No. 2 northern to arrive, $1.06; No. 3 wheat, $1.01¼@1.03½; No. 1 durum, 87c; No. 1 durum to arrive, 86¾c; No. 2 durum, 85c; No. 2 durum to arrive, 84¾c. Flour—First patents, $5.30@5.60; second patents, $5.40@5.50; first clears, $4.80@4.90; second clears, $3.00@3.20. Bran—Fair demand; No. 1 flaxseed closed on track and to arrive, $1.12⅝. Bran—In bulk, $20.75@21.00.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Close—Wheat—Firm; track No. 2 red cash, $1.02@1.02¼; No. 2 hard, 98c @$1.04; May, $1.04; July, 95c. Corn—Firm; track No. 2 cash, 53@53½c; May, 55½c; July, 56¼c; No. 2 white, 58@53½c. Oats—Weak; track No. 2 cash, 48½c; May, 51½c; No. 2 white, 51¼@52½c. Poultry —Firm; chickens, 7½c; springs, 8c; turkeys, 11½c; ducks, 8c; geese, 6½c. Lead—Steady; $3.40. Spelter—Firm; $4.10.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—Close—Wheat: May $1.00¼; July, 91¼c; cash No. 2 hard, 94½@ 96c; No. 3, 94@97½c; No. 2 red, 95½@97½c; No. 3, 93@96c. Corn—Unchanged to ⅛c higher; May, 52¾c; July, 53¼c; cash No. 2 mixed, 51¾c; No. 3, 51@51½c; No. 2 white, 51¼@51½c; No. 3, 51½c. Oats—No. 2 white, 48@49c; No. 2 mixed, 47@47½c. Receipts—Wheat, 77 cars.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 24.—Wheat—Dull; No. 1 northern, $1.09½@1.10½; No. 2 northern, $1.06@1.09½; May, $1.06 asked. Rye—Dull; No. 1, 80½@81c. Barley—Firmer; No. 2, $1.00; sample, 65c@$1.00. Oats—Lower; standard, 50@50½c. Corn—No. 3 cash, 54@55c; May, 58¼c asked.

PEORIA, Ill., Dec. 24.—Corn—New lower; No. 3 yellow, 54½@55c; No. 3, 52½c; No. 4, 49@51½c; no grade, 46@47c. Oats—Lower; No. 3 white, 49@ 49½c; No. 4 white, 48@48½c. Rye—Dull. Whisky —$1.35.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The absence of the packers from the hog market interfered to a considerable extent yesterday, and prices were off from 5c to 10c under the light demand. Cattle were active and prices strong, a considerable demand, with light receipts, furnishing the necessary ingredients to make a satisfactory market. Sheep were likewise light in receipts and prices felt the effect under a strong demand. Receipts for the day were: Cattle, 5,000; hogs, 23,000; sheep, 8,000. The general range of prices was as follows:

Cattle.

Good to prime steers	$5.50@6.25
Fair to good steers	5.00@5.50
Inferior to plain steers	4.00@5.00
Range steers	3.75@5.10
Plain to fancy cows	3.00@4.75
Plain to fancy yearlings	5.00@5.50
Plain to fancy heifers	3.75@6.00
Good to choice feeders	3.90@4.15
Fair to good feeders	2.25@3.25
Good cutting and fair beef cows	2.00@2.75
Canners	1.50@2.25
Common to choice bulls	2.25@4.00
Calves, common to fair	3.50@5.50
Calves, good to fancy	5.50@6.50

Hogs.

Heavy packing sows, 280 lbs and up	$4.35@4.50
Mixed packers and barrow tops, 225 lbs and up	4.40@4.60
Choice to prime heavy shipping barrows	4.45@4.70
Light barrow butchers, 200 lbs and up	4.45@4.60
Choice to light barrows and smooth sows, 150 to 200 lbs	4.40@4.60
Rough sows and coarse stags, 300 to 400 lbs	3.90@3.50
Throw-outs, light weights	3.75@4.00
Pigs, 60 to 90 lbs	4.00@4.25
Pigs, 90 to 135 lbs	4.25@4.35

Sheep.

Good to prime wethers	$4.00@4.50
Fair to good wethers	3.50@4.00
Fair to prime ewes	3.25@4.85
Fair to good native lambs	4.50@6.00
Fair to prime native lambs	6.00@6.50
Fed lambs	5.75@6.45
Fed wethers	3.75@4.50
Feeding lambs	4.25@5.25
Cull lambs	4.00@5.00
Bucks and stags	2.50@3.00
Yearlings	4.25@5.00
Breeding ewes	3.50@5.00

Live Stock Markets Elsewhere.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Beeves—Receipts, 42; no trade of importance; steady; exports today, 949 cattle, 1,300 sheep, and 3,400 quarters of beef; tomorrow 2,700 quarters of beef. Calves: Receipts, 379; veals and barnyard calves slow and weak; $5.00@9.50. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 4,583; sheep steady; prime lambs about steady; others lower; sheep, $2.75@4.50; culls, $2.00@2.50; lambs, $5.75@6.75; culls, $4.00; Canada lambs, $6.00. Hogs —Receipts, 4,963; all for slaughterers; nominally firm.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,800, including 300 southerns; 10@15c higher; choice export and dressed beef steers, $5.00@5.40; fair to good, $3.80@4.90; native heifers, $3.35@ 4.25; calves, $4.00@6.00. Hogs—Receipts, 8,800; 10c lower; top, $4.60; bulk, $4.45@4.58. Sheep—Receipts, 900; 10c higher; top lambs, $6.00; lambs, $5.50@6.00; western yearlings, $4.25@5.00.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 700, including 500 Texans; 15@25c higher. Native shipping and export steers, $5.00@5.85; cows and heifers, $2.75@4.85; calves, $3.50@7.00. Hogs—Receipts, 5,000. Steady. Pigs and lights, $4.40@ 4.75; best heavy, $4.65@4.85. Sheep—Receipts, 500. Steady. Native muttons, $3.00@5.00; lambs, $3.00 @6.25.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Cattle—Receipts, 200; quiet and steady. Veals—Receipts, 75; active; 25c lower; $4.25@6.25. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 9,000; active and firm for lambs; sheep slow; lambs, $5.00@6.25; yearlings, $5.00@ 5.25. Hogs—Receipts, 2,550; slow for heavies; pigs, $4.90@5.05; mixed and heavies, $5.00@5.05.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Dec. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 5,250. Steady. Natives, $4.00@5.75; cows and heifers, $2.75@4.60. Hogs—Receipts, 5,319; 5@10c lower. Top, $4.55; b. o. s., $4.45@4.50. Sheep—Receipts, none. Nominal. Lambs, $5.00@5.75; yearlings, $4.10@4.40.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—Cattle—Receipts, 500; 10c higher. Beeves, $3.75@5.50; cows and heifers, $1.75@4.00; calves and yearlings, $2.75@3.25. Hogs—Receipts, 5,000; 5@10c lower; range, $4.10@4.40; bulk, $4.35.

IN THE WORLD OF FINANCE

New York Wholesale Merchants Trying to Help Home Banks.

CHARGE ON CHICAGO CHECKS.

Western Buyers Are Told They Must Remit Drafts on Gotham.

New York wholesale merchants are beginning to help out New York banks in the matter of causing western banks to increase their balances by demanding that western buyers shall remit in drafts on New York.

It appears that during the time when it was impossible to buy New York exchange western merchants had no other way of paying their bills except by checks on their own banks. For awhile New York wholesalers credited these checks (on Chicago banks, for instance) as cash. Now, although money has become easier, Chicago buyers still continue to send Chicago checks. This practice renders it unnecessary for Chicago banks to keep such large balances in New York. Chicago and other banks of the west and south are accused of hoarding cash at the expense of New York. Buyers are receiving from one large New York house the following letter:

"We have received your remittance of the ——, which was not in New York exchange and on which the charge for collection, made by our bank, we charge to your account, and for which we will kindly request you to forward stamps or exchange to balance the same, as per statement below.

"Inasmuch as you did not remit in New York exchange, as per our requirements and as per our invoices rendered, we can only credit the same on your account after collection has been reported to us by our bank.

"Conditions as to obtaining New York exchange in your section, we are informed, have improved, and we are receiving remittances in New York exchange from your section, and we would therefore kindly request you to have your future remittances in New York exchange as in the past."

Why Distillers Cut Dividend.

In explanation of the necessity for reducing the dividend on Distillers' Securities corporation stock from a rate of 6 per cent to one of 2 per cent, E. J. Curley, president of the company, has issued a statement. He sets forth that the practical suspension on the part of the banks throughout the United States, in the matter of currency payments, was responsible for the checking of the company's business. Every gallon of whisky sold by the company required a payment to the government of an internal tax of $1.10 per proof gallon. The law requires that such tax must be paid in currency. The months of October, November, and December are those in which there is the largest sale of the corporation's products. The normal withdrawals by the corporation of spirits and whiskies during those three months averaged between 150,000 and 200,000 proof gallons per day, and the amount of currency required to pay the interpal taxes thereon would amount to $15,000,000 for that period. All that the trade throughout the country could possibly do was to scrape up enough currency with which to pay the revenue taxes on only a part of the goods that were required for immediate consumption. The consequence was that purchasers in the regular course of business of the trade for immediate future use were practically cut off. President Curley further adds:

"When the stockholders understand that by far the largest volume of business in the products of this company is in the months of October, November, and December; that during the greater part of that period of this year what business has been done has been transacted under abnormal conditions; that much of our loss of business will be merely temporary and be regained; that the sales of our products will soon resume their normal condition, and, judging by experience, will not decrease; that the diminution in our production has been due to financial conditions, which require the payment by the trade of actual currency for internal revenue taxes; that the basic conditions of the company are as sound as they ever were; that its earning capacity has been in no way permanently impaired, they will, we think, be satisfied that the management has taken the proper course when it fixes the dividend for the current quarter at ½ of 1 per cent."

Whisky Sales and Prohibition.

Concerning prohibition, Mr. Curley says:

"With reference to the prohibition movements, it is unnecessary to go into details, but it can be stated as a fact, based upon long experience and statistics, that all attempts to regulate the traffic by statute and the enforcement of restricted legislation, invariably has resulted in an increase in the per capita consumption in the state affected. The effect of prohibition laws is only to change the channels and methods of distribution."

More Stringent in Bank Reports.

The banking department of New York state has, because of recent disclosures in New York City, introduced some new questions in the call for the condition of the state banks and trust companies Dec. 19.

Both banks and trust companies are required to classify their securities into "public and other securities." Public securities include state, municipal, and United States bonds.

The banks and trust companies also are required to report accrued interest both in favor of institutions on loans and securities and against them on deposits. Market value of securities is to be reported instead of the book values, as formerly. There are several minor charges to be made in the wording of reports. For instance, banks and trust companies formerly were required to report loans directly or indirectly to directors. This wording is changed as follows: "Directly, indirectly, or for the benefit of directors."

Decrease in Net Earnings.

In its compilation of railroad earnings for the month of October the New York Financial Chronicle shows a gain in gross for the month of $13,276,961 and a loss in net of $3,864,295, owing to an increase in expenses of $17,141,256. Following are returns covering a period of years:

Year.	Gross Earnings.	Increase.	Net Earnings.	Increase.
1898	$62,589,295	*$3,308,332	$24,162,741	*$1,775,546
1897	72,051,957	4,992,188	27,875,335	2,049,762
1896	70,185,550	4,381,253	25,936,084	2,495,447
1895	93,439,830	10,791,828	30,761,616	4,168,928
1900	101,185,248	3,071,865	38,239,892	*290,359
1901	114,274,930	13,463,045	45,303,540	7,693,902
1902	112,917,914	6,277,165	40,089,565	*413,786
1903	122,378,429	9,994,999	43,341,694	2,407,965
1904	130,975,187	4,851,904	48,561,136	4,847,868
1905	136,313,150	10,554,524	49,824,783	3,030,103
1906	143,336,728	14,842,205	51,685,226	4,858,889
1907	154,309,199	18,276,961	46,983,608	*3,804,295

*Decrease.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN NET EARNINGS IN OCTOBER.

	Increase.
Delaware & Hudson	$ 229,527
Chesapeake & Ohio	153,349
Philadelphia & Reading	152,466
Colorado & Southern	140,541
Texas & Mississippi Valley	108,729
Central of Georgia	75,077
Seaboard Air Line	70,107
Atlantic Coast Line	69,544
Central of New Jersey	68,185
West Jersey & Seasnore	61,400
Norfolk & Western	52,304
Mobile & Ohio	50,830
Texas Railway	50,437
Toledo, St. Louis & Western	49,269
Northern Central	45,100
Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg	43,325
Cincinnati, New Orleans & Tex. Pacific	39,950
Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis	37,254
Virginia & Southwestern	33,573
Western Maryland	33,069
Wisconsin Central	30,634
Total (21 roads)	$1,646,436
	Decrease.
Southern Pacific	$1,420,403
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe	1,244,173
Erie	903,256
Union Pacific	335,037
Pennsylvania (2 roads)	216,100
Chicago Great Western	166,701
St. Louis & San Francisco	165,538
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	153,750
Baltimore & Ohio	142,379
Rock Island system	114,293
Canadian Pacific	104,500
Illinois Central	102,063
Denver & Rio Grande	77,500
Wheeling & Lake Erie	61,886
Long Island	47,123
Louisville & Nashville	44,997
Kansas City Southern	40,236
Bangor & Aroostook	33,510
Total (19 roads)	$5,404,054

Dividend Action Deferred.

The American Graphophone company has deferred action on its dividend on its common stock. The previous disbursement on that issue was 1¼ per cent, paid on Sept. 15 last.

New York Curb Transactions.

	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Bay State Gas	$2,500	⅝	⅝	5-16	⅝
Butte Coalition	200	13¾	13¾	15	15
Chicago Subway	300	15½	15½	15½	15½
Cobalt Bill	50	1	1	1	1
Cum. Ely	800	⅝	⅝	⅝	⅝
Davis Daly	150	2	2	2⅜	2⅜
Dolores, Ltd	700	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝	1⅝
Gold Con	275	4 9-16	4 9-16	4 9-16	4 9-16
Green Can	1,000	6	6	6

BUYS THE PULLMAN ARCADE

Mrs. Pullman Secures Building in Town Husband Founded.

I. C. SELLS OLD TRACK WAY.

Masonic Grand Lodge Transfers Property Bought for Orphanage.

Mrs. Hattie Sanger Pullman, widow of George M. Pullman, has purchased from the Pullman company the Arcade building and ground in Pullman for $50,000. The property is at the northwest corner of One Hundred and Twelfth street and Morse avenue, and is on a lot 221x248½ feet. Mrs. Pullman is said to have been largely influenced by sentiment in the purchase of the property, which was one of the most conspicuous structures in the town. Her daughter, Mrs. Florence Pullman Lowden, recently purchased over ninety buildings there at an aggregate consideration of over $250,000. The Pullman company was compelled by court decree to dispose of all its property there not directly connected with its business.

I. C. Sells Old Right of Way.

James B. Cecil, representing a syndicate headed by Ald. Frank I. Bennett, has acquired from the Illinois Central Railroad company 1,320 feet on the south side of Sixty-first street, extending from Madison to Woodlawn avenues, with a depth of 100 feet, for $54,500. He gave back a trust deed for $37,750, one year, at 6 per cent. The syndicate acquired a short time ago 2,163 x50 from Woodlawn to Cottage Grove avenues, for $87,000. The property comprised the former right of way of the company to Washington park track.

John McKinnon of Cobe & McKinnon has bought from Herman Huhncke the La Paloma apartment building at the southwest corner of Indiana avenue and Thirty-sixth street, for $90,000, subject to an incumbrance of $35,000. The lot is 69x104 feet and the building is a three story and basement structure containing eighteen flats, with a total yearly rental of $7,350.

The Masonic grand lodge of Illinois has conveyed to Frank Rayner the old Hayes homestead property at the northwest corner of Sheldon street and Carroll avenue, 164 x203 feet, for $35,000. The lodge acquired the property in 1903 with the purpose of using it as a site for a Masonic orphan asylum. The deed stipulated, however, that in case the character of the district should change so as to make it unsuitable for the purpose indicated the lodge might dispose of it. The invasion of the district by manufactories brought about this contingency, and the asylum was established at Sullivan, Ill., and the property sold. It is understood the property will be improved with a large warehouse.

Lake View Apartment Sold.

Frederick Rose has sold to William A. Flint of Hoopeston, Ill., the flat property in Cornelia avenue, 270 feet west of Evanston avenue, 48x187 feet, south front, for $25,000, subject to an incumbrance of $12,900.

Five more deeds in the Archer avenue district were filed for record yesterday, title being taken, as usual, by the Chicago Title and Trust company.

Pace & Co. have sold for Richard W. Doederlein to George F. Doerr the two story business property at 414-416 West Belmont avenue for $13,000, the purchaser giving in part payment a 240 acre farm near his home, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Real Estate Transfers.

ROGERS PARK.

Chase-av., s w cor of Perry-st., n f, 56x150, incumb. $5,000. Dec. 20 [Lloyd G. Kirkland to Anna S. Hoge] $10,250

Sherwin-av., s w cor of Ashland, n f, 66½x150, Dec. 20 [Theodore Johnson to Edward R. Johnson] 3,800

LAKE VIEW.

Clark-st., 75 n of Francis, w f, 33x164, Aug. 9 [N. H. Kranz to Catherine U. Flood] 3,200

Cornelia-av., s w cor of Evanston, n f, 48x187, incumb. $12,900. Feb. 27 [Frederick Rose to William A. Flint of Hoopeston, Ill.] ... 25,000

Evanston-av., s w cor Bryn Mawr, e f, 25x125, incumb. $3,000. Dec. 23 [James B. Smiley to Viola E. McLean] 6,000

Grace-st., s e cor of Ashland, e f, 50x115, incumb. $22,000. Dec. 11 [Lyman-M. Drake to Walter H. Krouskup] 20,000

Melrose-av., s w cor of Lawrence, w f, 100x175, Dec. 19 [Walter H. Krouskup to Lyman M. Drake] 12,000

Seminary-av., 407 s of Diversey-blvd., w f, 25x118, Dec. 10 [C. Peters to Leopold F. Straube] 2,262

Wellington-st., 100 e of Hamilton-av., s f, 25x125, Dec. 11 [Charles Alexander to George Weier] 1,400

Winthrop-av., 68 n of Bryn Mawr, w f, 66x130, Dec. 21 [O. Gordon et al. by master in chancery, to William L. Elsendrath] 6,888

JEFFERSON.

Berteau-av., 227 e of Campbell, n f, 25x125, Dec. 21 [Ira M. Cobe to Harry Hansen] 3,000

Blaine-st., 125 n of Bryant-av., e f, 25x125, Dec. 21 [N. A. Augur to Charles E. Schaaf] 1,350

Elston-av., s w cor of Central Park, s w f, 150x249, with 61 ft. n f on Irving Park-av., Dec. 21 [Ira M. Cobe to Anna Huhncke] 25,000

SOUTH TOWN.

Butler-st., 125 s of 32d, w f, 25x124, Dec. 17 [A. Lueske to Anna J.] 1,800

California-av., n e cor of 36th-st., w f, 50x125, incumb. $1,000. Dec. 16 [T. E. Welsh to William Bailey] 3,075

Cottage Grove-av., n w cor of 29th-st., e f, 19½x128 1-3. incumb. $6,000 assumed. Dec. 16 [Charles P. Frost to Natale Dell Angelica] 15,000

Indiana-av., s w cor 36th-st., e f, 99x104, m. on l., incumb. $25,000. Dec. 21 [Herman Huhncke and wife, Anna, to John McKinnon] 60,000

Lloyd-av., 235 n of Lyman-st., w f, 34x100, Dec. 19 [J. Kulek to Wenzlay Bechner] 2,600

Prairie-av., 3359, w f, 24x123, Dec. 2 [C. S. Babcock to Katharine Uehtmann] 3,000

Union-av., s w cor of 32d-st., e f, 120x125, Dec. 20 [John W. Healy to Chas. E. Williams] 3,500

Union-av., 274 s of 32d-st., e f, 122x125, Dec. 20 [same to Matthew B. Williams] 3,500

HYDE PARK.

Cottage Grove-av., 58 n of 58th-st., e f, 25x125, Dec. 17 [A. Wells et al., by M. in C., to Chas. Morris] 1,330

106th-st., n e cor Avenue G, 5 acres, Dec. 21 [T. & T. Co., receiver to Andrew Ringman] 6,250

112th-st., n w cor Morse-av., s f, 221x248½, with 174 ft on 111th-pl. and 252 ft on Cottage Grove-av., and Arcade bldg., Oct. 15 [Pullman Co. to Hattie Sanger Pullman] .. 50,000

Madison-av., s w cor 61st-st., e f, 99x183; Monroe-av., s e cor 61st-st., e f, 99x166; Monroe-av., s w cor 61st-st., e f, 99x166; Kimbark-av., s e cor 61st-st., w f, 99x166; Kimbark-av., s w cor 61st-st., w f, 99x166; Woodlawn-av., s e cor 61st-st., w f, 99x166. Aug. 7 [Ill. Central R. R. Co. to James B. Cecil] 54,300

Trust deed on above property, Aug. 15, one year at 6% [James W. Cecil to Edward P. Jones] 37,750

Prairie-av., 359 s of 51st-st., w f, 32x100, Dec. 21 [J. Mason to Geo. E. Rumions] 2,250

Woodlawn-av., s e cor 63d-st., e f, 182x125, Dec. 16 [Josephine Hoffmeyer to Robert Bartlett] 5,000

Yerby's sub. pt L. 24, R 3, n w 15, 38, 14. Dec. 20 [B. E. Cruickshank to Fayette W. Reed] 2,000

LAKE.

Ashland-av., 150 s of 65th-st., s f, 50x122, Nov. 22 [C. T. & T. Co., trustee, to Chas. R. Russell] 1,800

Bishop-st., bet 60th and 61st, w f, 60x124½, incumb. $6,300. Nov. 30 [L. M. Coy to Mary L. Dangremond] 7,600

Bishop-st., 155 n of 62d, s f, 26x124½, incumb. $3,300. Nov. 30 [Hans P. Jensen to Mary L. Dangremond] 6,500

California-av., 243 s of 42d-st., e f, 25x198, Aug. 16 [A. Wendelburg to Eugene Horn] 1,425

63d-st., 240 e of Prospect-av., s f, 60x124, $1,000. Nov. 11 [C. R. Coy to Anton Kirschner] 3,200

Honore-st., 255 n of 69th, w f, 50x124, incumb. $1,000. Nov. 16 [J. N. Sproul to Carmelo Parienzo] 2,000

Loomis-st., 82 n of 65th, e f, 25x124, March 1, 1900 [A. G. Stevens to John J. Opfer] .. 2,500

Loomis-st., 9 w cor 65th, s f, 48x124, Dec. 21 [John W. Grey to John and Ellen A. Quinn] 7,250

State-st., n w cor. 73d, e f, 40x118. Dec. 21 [Robert et al., by M. in C., to John S. Dodd] 1,300

CALUMET.

Lowe-av., 97 s of 117th-st., e f, 97x180, Dec. 12 [H. La Yon to Otto R. Christenson] 2,200

WEST TOWN.

Ashland-av., 49 n of 13th-st., e f, 48x150, Dec. 17 [Carl Lueske to Abraham Friedman] 11,450

Austin-av., 125 w of Hoyne, s f, 25x95, Dec. 21 [E. McSweeney to Carolina Simmel] 1,200

California-av., 67 n of Shakespeare, e f, 56x186, Dec. 17 [Frank J. Birk to Jacob Birk et al., trustees] 2,800

18th-st., s w cor Oakley-av., s f, 25x125, Dec. 19 [V. Pawel to Jan Zajicek] 4,700

Fairfield-av., 75 s of Roslay Bechner, e f, 25x125, Dec. 18 [J. Kulicek to John Keller] 2,100

40th-st., s e 100 e of 14th-st., w f, 25x198, Dec. 20 [C. Semrad to Thomas Anderig] 3,000

40th-st., s 224 n of 14th-st., w f, 50x198, Dec. 20 [Thomas Anderis to Charles Semrad] 7,000

50th-st., N. 380 s of Augusta-st., e f, 30x125, Oct. 15 [H. T. Glover to Harry F. Brown] 4,600

Sheldon-st., n w cor Carroll-av., w f, 164.2x268, Dec. 10 [Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois Free and Accepted Masons to Frank Rayner] 35,000

Spaulding-av., 75 n of 28th-st., w f, 25x125, Dec. 7 [M. Sec. to Andrew Vejtasa] 2,400

Superior-st., W. No. 631, 24x180, incumb. $2,500. Dec. 21 [A. Palasz to Wead Pluta and Wife] 3,750

31st-st., 225 e of Paulina, s f, 25x125, Dec. 8 [estate of T. O'Neill to Mary E. O'Neill] .. 1,500

Wabash-av., 200 s of Elston, e f, 25x103, Dec. 16 [G. W. Douglas to Sarah A. Ferard] 3,621

IN THE BOSTON MONEY MARKET.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The local market was dull and flat today. Copper price changes were of no moment. The feature of the market was the weakness of General Electric, which dropped from 110 to 108 on the report that the works of the company were to be closed down in part for an indefinite period. Local railroads were inclined to be heavy. Call loans, 8@12 per cent; time loans, collateral, 6%@12 per cent; time loans, mercantile paper, 8@8½ per cent; clearing house loans, 7.3 per cent.

Description.	Sales.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adventure	15	2¼	2½	2¼	2¼
Alloues	5	26	26	26	26
Amal. Cop	1,632	45¾	46	45¾	45¾
Arcadian	60	4	4	4	4
Ariz. Com	25	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾
Atlantic	270	8¼	8¼	8¼	8¼
Balakiala	430	2	2	2	2
Bingham	80	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾
Boston Con	2	10	10	10	10
Butte Coalition ..	473	15¼	15¼	14¾	15
Cal. & Ariz	715	95¼	96	95½	96
Cal. & Hec	13	600	600	600	600
Cop. Range	310	55¾	55¾	54¾	55
Daly-West	227	8¾	8¾	8	8¾
Franklin	5	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾
Granby	50	75	75	75	75
Gn. Cananea	900	6	6	6	6
Isle Royale	60	17¾	17¾	17	17
La Salle	826	10¼	10¼	10¼	10¼
Mex. Con	100	7¼	7¼	7¼	7¼
No. Butte	461	40½	41	40	40½
Old Dom	60	27½	28	27½	28
Santa Fé	180	5	5	5	5
Shannon	23	9¼	9¼	9¼	9¼
Trinity	1,060	14	14¼	13¾	14
United Cop	200	25½	25½	25¼	25¼
U. S. Smelters..	200	35¾	35¾	35¾	35¾
Do pfd	30	85¼	85¼	85¼	85¼
Utah Con	861	29	29½	28¾	29¼
Winona	220	1¼	1¼	1¼	1¼
Wolverine	190	100	100	10	10
Am. Tel. & Tel..	355	102	102	101	101
Mass. Gas	26	49	49	48¾	48¾
Do 1st pfd	20	97¼	97¼	97¼	97¼
N. E. Tel	10	105	105	105	105
Pullman	40	146	146	145	146
Swift	2	88	88	88	88
United Fruit	96	112	112¾	112	112¾
Un. Ship. pfd	75	26	26	26	26
U. S. Cast	125	11¼	11¼	10¾	10¾
Bos. Elev	15	126	126	125	126
Bos. & Alb	63	181	181	181	181
Bos. & Me	17	194	194	194	194
Maine pfd	100	80	80	80	80
N. Y., N. H. & H.	93	182½	182½	181	181
Rutland pfd	50	27	27	27	27
West End St. R.R.	31	79	79	79	79
Do rights	10,589	30	30	29	30

IN FOREIGN MONEY MARKET.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The demand for money exceeded the supply today, and rates were firm. Discounts were dearer on reported gold engagements for New York. The prospective Argentine requirements induced much caution.

There was little business on the stock exchange except in mining shares, due to the carry over. The general opinion is that the lowest level has been touched. Prices generally opened higher, and, although realizations over the holiday caused a setback, the final tone was steady. American shares, owing to the fall of prices in Wall street, opened considerably lower, but firmness prevailed in the forenoon. Quotations rallied above parity thereafter. Later business became quiet, the New York opening came colorless, and the market finished dull. The weekly statement of the Bank of England will be issued on Friday instead of Thursday, owing to the Christmas holidays.

BERLIN, Dec. 24.—Prices on the bourse today opened sluggish and weaker, but improved upon the easier tendency of money.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—Trading on the bourse today was dull, and there was a disposition to realize over the holiday tomorrow.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS OF AMERICAN SECURITIES IN LONDON.

	Monday.	Tuesday.	N. Y. equivalent.	Monday's N. Y. closing.
	4 p. m.	4 p. m.		
Atchison	72⅝	72¼	70⅝	70⅝
Do pfd	98	98	95¾	95¾
Balt. & Ohio	84½	83⅝	81⅝	82
Canadian Pacific	155¾	154¼	150¾	150¾
Chesapeake & Ohio..	31¼	31	30¼	30¼
Chi., Gt. Western..	7¼	7¼	7¼	7¼
C., M. & St. Paul ..	107¼	106	103¾	103¾
Erie	17	16¾	16½	17
Do 1st pfd	36	35	34¾	35
Do 2d pfd	26	25¼	24⅞	24¾
Illinois Central	128	128	124⅝	124
Louis. & Nash	95	95	92	91¼
M., K. & T	26¼	26¼	25¾	25¾
New York Central	98	98	95¼	91⅝
Norfolk & Western..	69¼	69¼	67¼	64
Ontario & Western..	33¼	33¼	32¼	
Pennsylvania	57⅝	57¼	112	111½
Reading	49¾	49	48	48¾
Southern Railway....	25¾	25¼	24½	24¾
Do pfd	40	40	39	39¾
Southern Pacific....	74¼	73¾	71⅝	72¾
Union Pacific	120	119¾	116¼	117¾
Do pfd	82¼	82¼	80¼	
United States Steel..	27¼	26¼	25½	25¾
Do pfd	85¾	85¾	83¼	87⅛
Wabash	19	19	18½	17¾
Do pfd	19	19	18½	17¾

Consols, 82¼; New York equivalent, 82⅝.

BIG TIN PLATE ORDER LANDED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[Special.]—The Iron Age tomorrow, in its review of the last week's business, will say:

"The most important event of the week is the announcement that the United States Steel Export Producers' company has sold recently for shipment during the first half of 1908 to England and Wales 100,000 tons of sheet and tinplate bars.

"Detroit stove manufacturers have been the first to act in the way of purchasing material for the first half of the coming year. They bought between 13,000 and 14,000 tons.

"New business in finished iron and steel has been light, and bookings are at the rate of about 30 per cent of the capacity. Shipments, however, are fully double that amount. Taking the industry as a whole, it is estimated that the shipments of fabricated material by the American Bridge company during 1907 will total 650,000 tons, as compared with 577,000 tons in 1906.

"The eastern bar iron manufacturers have decided to close down entirely for two weeks. There has been more activity in the coke trade, and a good deal of figuring for the first half is going on. There has been some activity in lead at 3.40c to 3.60c. New York copper has moved upward a little."

Early Improvement Expected.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 24.—The Iron Trade Review tomorrow will say: "The iron and steel trade, on the close of one of the most remarkable years in its history, in which prosperity suddenly was paralyzed, looks forward to a mild and conservative improvement after the first of the year. The producers are in better condition to maintain prices at this time than they were in 1903 and 1904, and some progress already has been made toward a readjustment to permit of business being placed early in the new year."

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DEATHS.

MURRAY—William Murray, son of Katie Murray, nee Fanning. Funeral Thursday, Dec. 26, 9:30 a. m. sharp, from 3340 Washtenaw-av., to 49th-st. and Ashland-av. depot, by cars to Mount Olivet.

NATTSON—Adolph Nattson, Dec. 24, aged 83, father of Mrs. Augusta Holmquist. Funeral from 1351 Newport-av., Thursday, at 2 p. m. Burial at Graceland cemetery.

ORR—Mrs. Catherine P. Orr, Dec. 23, at 80 E. 43d-st., beloved mother of Frances, Louis, and John Orr. Funeral Thursday at 9 a. m. to Holy Angels' church, thence by train to Mount Olivet.

PEAK—Nehemiah P. Peak, aged 32 years, beloved husband of Anna Peak, nee Fuller, son of Minnie Peak, nee Hoffman, brother of Mrs. O. H. Kunze, at his residence, 228 Hudson-av. Funeral notice later. South Bend (Ind.) papers please copy.

ROACH—Marion Barnedett Roach, beloved daughter of James T. and Julia M. Roach, nee Connell, sister of James N. Roach. Funeral Wednesday from late residence, 251 S. Center-av., at 9 a. m., by carriages to Calvary.

RYAN—Mary Ryan, nee McCaffrey, Dec. 23, 1907, beloved wife of Peter Ryan, daughter of Mrs. Mamie Henning, nee Schillo, and widow of the late Peter Schillo, aged 61 years. Burial Thursday, Dec. 26, at 10 a. m., from the sister's residence, 376 S. Robey-st., to Notre Dame church, and from there to St. Boniface cemetery.

SMITH—Joseph Smith, beloved husband of Harriet Smith, aged 57 years. Funeral at residence, 11704 Michigan-av., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 10 o'clock. Interment at Oakwoods.

OFFICIAL WEATHER FORECAST.

OFFICE OF CHIEF OF WEATHER BUREAU, Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday:

Illinois and Indiana—Fair in south, snow in north portion Wednesday, Thursday fair and colder.

Ohio—Snow Wednesday, Thursday fair and colder.

Lower Michigan—Snow Wednesday, Thursday fair and colder.

Upper Michigan—Snow Wednesday, colder in west portion, Thursday fair, brisk east shifting to north winds.

Wisconsin—Snow and colder Wednesday, Thursday fair, continued cold, brisk to high southwest shifting to northwest winds.

Nebraska—Fair Wednesday, decidedly colder, Thursday fair.

Kansas, Iowa, and Missouri—Fair and colder Wednesday, Thursday fair.

Minnesota—Fair, decidedly colder, with a cold wave Wednesday, Thursday fair, brisk northwest winds.

North Dakota—Fair and colder Wednesday, Thursday fair.

South Dakota—Fair Wednesday, with a cold wave, Thursday fair, brisk winds.

Place of observation.	Temperature. Max. temp.	Min. temp.	Direction of wind.	Precipitation in 24 hours.	State of weather.
Time taken:					
Dec. 24, 7 p. m.					
Abilene	54	60	S.	.....	Clear
Albany	30	40	W.	.02	Clear
Alpena	30	40	W.	.02	Clear
Atlanta	52	54	W.	.06	Clo'dy
Amarillo	52	62	S.W.	.....	Fair
Battleford	-4	2	N.W.	.01	Clo'dy
Bismarck	14	40	N.W.	.12	Clo'dy
Buffalo	32	30	W.	.02	Clear
Boston	36	44	S.	.02	Clear
Cairo	38	44	S.	Tr.	Clear
Calgary	14	14	N.W.	.....	Fair
Charles City	34	38	S.W.	.....	Clo'dy
Charlotte	40	42	S.W.	.02	Clo'dy
Cheyenne	40	44	W.	.....	Clear
Chicago	34	38	S.W.	.....	Clo'dy
Cincinnati	34	40	S.W.	.02	Clo'dy
Cleveland	34	36	S.W.	Tr.	Fair
Concordia	36	40	S.W.	.....	Clear
Davenport	40	40	S.	.....	Clo'dy
Denver	52	56	N.W.	.....	Fair
Des Moines	38	40	S.	.....	Clo'dy
Detroit	30	36	N.W.	Tr.	Clear
Devils Lake	-2	14	N.	.20	Clo'dy
Dodge City	36	42	S.	.....	Clear
Dubuque	36	40	S.	.....	Clear
Duluth	24	34	N.E.	.02	Snow
El Paso	54	64	W.	.....	Clear
Edmonton	4	10	W.	.06	Clear
Escanaba	26	30	S.W.	.....	Fair
Grand Haven	34	36	S.	.....	Clear
Grand Rapids	32	36	S.	Tr.	Clear
Green Bay	28	34	S.W.	.....	Clo'dy
Havre	12	30	N.W.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Helena	22	38	W.	.....	Clear
Huron	24	36	N.W.	.....	Clear
Indianapolis	34	34	S.W.	.....	Clo'dy
Jacksonville	56	62	N.W.	.....	Clear
Kansas City	40	48	S.	.....	Clear
Lander	34	36	S.	.....	Clear
Little Rock	46	54	S.	.....	Clear
Los Angeles	60	78	S.W.	.....	Fair
Madison	32	34	S.	.....	Clear
Marquette	22	34	N.W.	.08	Clo'dy
Memphis	46	48	S.	.....	Clear
Medicine Hat	14	20	S.	.....	Clo'dy
Milwaukee	30	32	S.W.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Minnedosa	-8	6	Calm	.02	Clear
Montgomery	48	50	N.W.	.02	Clear
Montreal	32	36	N.E.	.02	Clear
Moorhead	20	36	N.E.	.26	Snow
Nashville	40	48	S.W.	.02	Clo'dy
New Orleans	54	60	W.	.....	Clear
New York City	40	54	N.W.	.....	Clear
Norfolk	46	54	N.W.	Tr.	Rain
North Platte	40	54	N.	.....	Clo'dy
Oklahoma	44	54	S.	.....	Clear
Omaha	42	46	S.W.	.....	Clo'dy
Oswego	36	38	W.	.02	Snow
Parkersburg	36	38	W.	.02	Clo'dy
Peoria	32	38	S.	.....	Clo'dy
Philadelphia	44	50	W.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Pittsburg	34	38	S.W.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Pueblo	56	62	W.	.....	Fair
Regina	6	20	W.	.50	Clo'dy
San Francisco	48	48	N.W.	.....	Clo'dy
St. Louis	38	42	S.	.....	Clear
St. Paul	32	32	S.E.	Tr.	Clear
Salt Lake City	44	48	S.E.	Tr.	Clo'dy
San Diego	62	70	W.	.....	Clear
Ste. Marie	24	28	W.	.01	Clo'dy
Springfield, Ill	32	36	S.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Springfield, Mo	42	50	S.	.01	Clear
Vicksburg	50	56	W.	.....	Clear
Washington	42	48	N.W.	Tr.	Clo'dy
Wichita	46	50	S.W.	.....	Clear
Williston	14	36	W.	.11	Snow
Winnipeg	-10	4	N.E.	.....	Clear
Portland	46	46	N.E.	.08	Rain
Yellowstone	26	30	N.E.	.06	Clo'dy
Tacoma	44	48	N.W.	.....	Fair
Baker City	34	40	S.	Tr

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TWO SPECIAL REDUCTIONS FOR GIRLS

Girls' long coats in plain cheviots and fancy mixtures, full box back, double breasted front, velvet and tailored collar, bone and metal buttons—self lined, reduced to *$5.00*

Girls' ⅞ length top coats in fancy plaid broadcloth, full box back, double breasted front, bone buttons, velvet collar, all flannel lined, 6, 8, 10, 12 and 14 years, reduced to *$13.75*

Fourth floor, north room.

Blankets and Comforters

Save 20%

Fancy wool blankets of imported Austrian and also domestic makes—all are new patterns. Sold singly or in pairs.

Reduced from $20 to, each, $16.
Reduced from $15 to, each, $12.
Reduced from $10 to, each, $8.

Reduced from $12.50 for the pre-inventory to, each, $10.00.
Reduced from $7.50 to, each, $6.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

In handsome silk covered down comforters there are many patterns and colors to select from in new and handsome designs. All are nicely quilted.

Silk comforters reduced from $20.00 to, each, $16.00, and from $13.50 to, each, $10.00.

Bordered comforters are reduced for the pre-inventory from $10.75 to, each, $8.00.

Sixth floor, south room. Save 20 to 33⅓%.

Sale of a Maker's Sample Line of Women's High-Grade Coats At Less Than Half Regular Prices

Detailed descriptions do but scant justice to the models which represent the best efforts of a maker of high repute—the styles are to the highest degree representative of the season's most favored ideals. ¾-length velour coats, velour jackets, 30-inch chiffon broadcloth coats, 36-inch black cheviot coats, semi- and tight-fitting black chiffon broadcloth coats, 52-inch full loose models in chiffon broadcloths, short jackets in broadcloth and cheviots.

Fourth floor, north room.

At $20 to $40 (with many prices in between) there is an absolute saving of more than half—the coats are offered at less than the maker's cost. *$20 to $40*

A Special Purchase of Three Great Lots

Representing values that, aside from the great price savings accurately depict the latest modes. ¾-length black broadcloth and light-weight kersey coats, satin lined throughout, collarless styles, velvet and braid trimmed. Five styles to select from, *$15.00*

¾-length black broadcloth coats, lined throughout with Skinner satin, collar and cuffs inlaid with velvet and trimmed with soutache and novelty braid. The "special purchase price" is, each *$18.50*

Women's fifty-two-inch tight-fitting coats, made of extra fine quality black broadcloth and lined throughout with Skinner satin, are offered at the extremely low "special purchase price" of *$20.00*

PRE-INVENTORY SALES IN OUR REGULAR LINES.

Women's three-quarter length black broadcloth coats, 52 inches long, satin lined throughout. Four styles to select from, $22.50.

Representing a wide variety of styles to select from at $18.00, $22.50, $25.00 and $35.00 up to $45.00.

Women's ¾-length velour coats in a variety of styles, $20.00, $30.00, $32.50, $37.50, $40.00 up to $50.00.

Broken lines in short broadcloth jackets, cheviot, chinchilla, frieze and fancy Oxfords—$10, $12.50, $13.50, $15, $20 and $25.

FUR LINED COATS

Broken lines in fur lined coats at $25.00, $35.00, $40.00, $42.50, $50.00, $60.00, $67.50, $75.00 up to $225.00.

Evening coats and capes in a wide range of styles, reduced to, each, $20.00, $22.50, $25.00, $35.00, $40.00, $45.00, $50.00 and up to $175.00.

BROKEN LINES

Odds and ends and lines in which sizes are missing here and there in women's black chiffon broadcloth coats are greatly reduced for the pre-inventory.

At $25.00, $30.00, $35.00, $40.00, $50.00 and up to $75.00, there is a wide range for choice.

Four Special Offerings in Women's Suits

Priced for the sole purpose of effecting a quick and certain pre-inventory disposal—divided into four lots.

LOT NO. 1—Consists of 26-inch tight-fitting coat suits, in a good quality of broadcloth in fancy stripe and plaid effects—also plain colors, black, navy, brown and red. Specially priced at *$16.75*

LOT NO. 2—27-inch semi-fitting coat suits in fancy mixtures and cheviots, satin lined, plaited skirt finished, wide fold. A special at *$20.00*

LOT NO. 3—Comprising semi-fitting and tight-fitting suits in various lengths in broadcloths, cheviots and serges. Special at, each, *$25.00*

VELVET AND VELVETEEN SUITS

Every velvet and velveteen suit in stock is reduced or specially priced for the Pre-Inventory Sale.

LOT NO. 4—Consists of fitted and semi-fitting velveteen suits, some of which are handsomely braided. Reduced to *$37.50*

Fourth floor, south room.

Lace Curtains Reduced

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

An offering that embraces all odd lots and discontinued numbers, some of which are slightly soiled. An opportune sale presenting savings that are possible but once a year.

Irish point curtains in neat parlor effects. A saving of a third is assured, pair, $2.50.

Ruffled muslin curtains, made of sheer quality muslin, in several designs, pair, $1.

Sixth floor, north room.

Lace Remnants Priced for Quick Disposal

Short lengths and remnants left from months of active selling are marked at a price that will clear them at once.

First floor, north room.

A few of the many specials follow:

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

Short lengths of allovers and waistings, yard, 58c. Remnants of fine laces and galloons, at less than half of regular. Wide Venise lace novelties, yard, $1.45. Double width real Princess allovers, yard, $2.95. Black Princess filet lace appliques, yard, $1.45. Real Princess laces and galloons, yard, 75c.

Embroideries at Great Reductions

Odds and ends and accumulated remnants in embroideries have been grouped and marked at much less than regular to accomplish the desired purpose quickly.

Second floor, north room.

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

Remnants of trimming embroidery, wide flouncings, insertion, yard, 10c, 15c and 25c. Embroidered allovers in fine and dainty designs, a yard, 95c. Swiss embroidered insertions, yard, 10c and 15c. Soiled and mussed battenberg centers and tidies and also large squares and scarfs are very much reduced.

Toilet Novelties ¼ Less

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

A 25 per cent discount at time of purchase will be made on useful and attractive toilet novelties—a reduction due to our fixed purpose of lowering stocks before inventory.

First floor, north room.

Domestic Rugs

PRE-INVENTORY SALE.

French Wilton rugs, 9x12, in twelve patterns, are reduced for pre-inventory from $55.00 to, each, $45.00.

French Wilton rugs, 8.3x10.6, 15 patterns from which to choose, are reduced from $50.00 to, each, $40.00.

Royal Wilton rugs, 9x12, in twenty patterns. All reduced from $40.00 to, each, $33.00.

Seventh floor.

Handkerchiefs

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

All mussed, soiled or imperfect handkerchiefs remaining from our great holiday business are now offered for immediate and absolute disposal at about one-half the regular selling prices.

First floor, north room.

Jewelry Underpriced

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

Some pieces are slightly marred—foreign domestic makes are represented. Hat pins, brooches, sash pins, cuff links, scarf pins, bracelets, combs, etc., 25c, 50c and 95c.

First floor, south room.

French Hand Painted China

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

Grouped on a large table for the convenience of selection we offer the remainder of several of the season's most popular lines of French hand painted china at a saving of a full third.

The assortment consists of water pitchers, chocolate pots, rose jars, bon bons, cups and saucers, salads, vases, etc., decorated with large floral designs—the greater number of the various pieces are heavily stippled with gold

Fifth floor, north room.

Enamel Agate Nickel-Steel Ware

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

3-quart lipped sauce pans, 23c; 4-quart lipped sauce pans, 26c; 5-quart lipped sauce pans, 30c; 1½-quart coffee or tea pots, 37c; 2-quart coffee or tea pots, 43c; 3-quart coffee or tea pots, 50c.

REDUCTIONS

BERLIN KETTLES

3¾-quart seamless Berlin kettles, each, 55c; 5-quart seamless Berlin kettles, each, 60c; 8-quart seamless Berlin kettles, each, 70c.

1¾-quart rice boilers, 75c; 2-quart rice boilers, 85c; 2½-quart rice boilers, $1.00; 4-quart flat bottom tea kettles, 65c; 5-quart flat bottom tea kettles, 75c; 7-quart flat bottom tea kettles, 85c; 2-quart extra deep pudding pans, 17c; 3-quart extra deep pudding pans, 20c; 4-quart extra deep pudding pans, 23c; 4-quart lipped stewing kettles, 26c; 5-quart lipped stewing kettles, 30c; 6-quart lipped stewing kettles, 37c.

Fifth floor, south room.

Save ½ on Cloisonne Ware

PRE-INVENTORY SALE.

Those who appreciate the artistic beauty of Japanese Art wares will be exceedingly pleased with the reductions which permit of a selection from favored pieces in Cloisonne Vases, Jardinieres, Covered Urns, Plates and other pieces at a full saving of one half. The inducement is an unusual one.

Fifth floor, north room.

Boys' Suits and Reefers:

GREATLY REDUCED

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

The inducement offered by the pre-inventory reductions can be judged from the two items which we quote below:

Second floor, south room.

BOYS' NORFOLK SUITS in fancy grays and brown mixed cheviots—all sizes, from 9 to 16 years, are included at the pre-inventory reduction price of $10.

BOYS' REEFER COATS, odds and ends of our stock, in plain grays, fancy gray and brown check cheviots. A line of sizes is offered from 7 to 12 years, reduced to $5.00.

Pre-Inventory Sales in Our Greater Basement

In our endeavor to immediately reduce stocks to the minimum we offer special values in many of our Basement Sections, a few of which are quoted below:

Imported all-wool crepe and nun's veiling in light and dark shades, a yard, 25c.

Men's fancy lisle hose in black and colors, specially reduced to, pair, 25c.

Genuine Welsbach 100 candle power light, complete, for pre-inventory, 65c.

Children's fur sets, in Sable, Coney, Delaware mink, imitation ermine, white angora. A set, $1.75.

Children's white kid top, patent leather button shoes are reduced to one low price, a pair, $1.25.

Men's medium weight cotton flannel night shirts, military collars—unusual value, at, each, 50c.

Women's large all pure linen h. s. handkerchiefs with ½-in. hem, reduced from 8c to, each, 6c.

Fine soft fleecy outing flannel in many excellent patterns, yd., 10c.

Full size cotton blankets, col'd border, specially reduced to $1.

72-in. all linen, full bleached Irish linen table damask, $1.

Women's Shoes at $3.75

PRE-INVENTORY SALE

"Odds and ends," as well as various lines which are broken in size—calf, patent leather and kid skin, are represented in the various lots. Button, lace and blucher styles are included.

In the combined lots there are all sizes—the reduced price reflects a determined purpose to effect a quick pre-inventory disposal. A pair, $3.75.

First floor, south room.

Bohemian Glass Reduced from ⅓ to ½

PRE-INVENTORY SALE.

In readjusting the stock a majority of the pieces have been reduced from 33⅓% to 50%. Embraced are tankard pitchers, vases, fruit bowls, plates, liqueur sets, baskets and other items. In many cases prices are below maker's cost.

Fifth floor, north room.

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POSTAL BANK PLAN

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BY RAYMOND.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 25.—[
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Express Concerns Chief

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